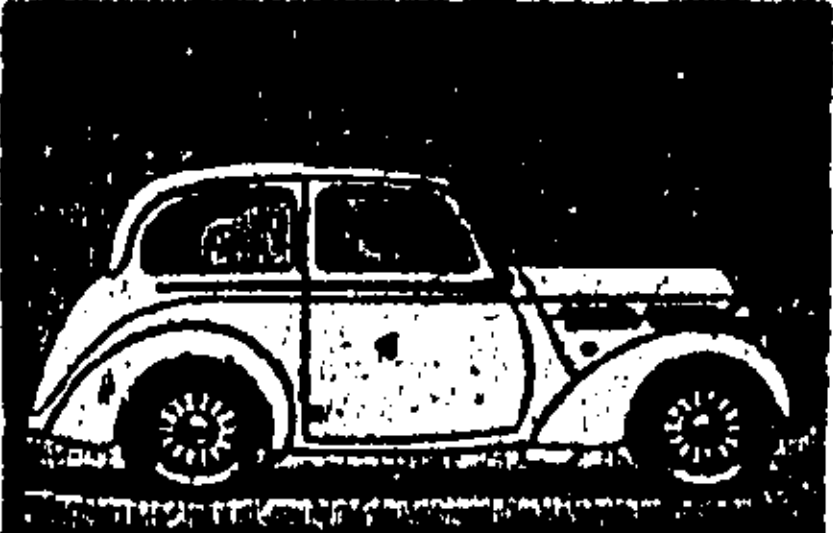


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WHITEAWAY'S

## CONVOY OF FIVE NAZI VESSELS WIPED OUT BY BRITISH WARSHIP

### MR. CASEY AT WHITE HOUSE

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16 (UP).—The Australian Minister to Washington was in conference with President Roosevelt to-day, presumably in connection with the Far East situation and increased co-operation between the United States and Australia.

After the conference Mr. Casey declined to say whether they had discussed the possible use of the Singapore naval base by the United States Navy.

"It is best not to be specific in such matters," he said.  
The Australian Minister was also in conference with Mr. Cordell Hull to-day.

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, OCT. 16, (UP).—A CONVOY OF THREE GERMAN SUPPLY SHIPS AND TWO ESCORT SHIPS, AND ANOTHER GERMAN VESSEL OF ABOUT 7,000 TONS WERE SUCCESSFULLY ATTACKED AND HIT BY THREE TORPEDOES FROM A BRITISH WARSHIP ACCORDING TO AN ADMIRALTY COMMUNIQUE, WHICH DID NOT DISCLOSE THE LOCATION NOR THE DATE OF THE ATTACKS.

The Admiralty also announced that the British cruiser Liverpool was damaged by an enemy torpedo carrying aircraft while returning to her base from operations off Sicily. The vessel is now in port and casualties are reported light.

### SIX SHIPS SUNK

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—A German convoy of three supply ships with two escort vessels accompanying them has been destroyed.

The Admiralty communique giving this news does not locate the scene of action.

## AIR FORCE RAIDS ON ITALIANS

### African Coastal Bases Hit

CAIRO, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—Further harassing of the Italian Army threatening Egypt has been carried out by the R.A.F.

A communique issued to-night describes the continuation of attacks on Ben Ghazi yesterday when a further direct hit was made on the Mole d'Italia and the railway station, and the sidings were laced with incendiary bombs.

Observation of the damage, the communique admits, was difficult.

Barracks and military concentrations at Bardia, Capuzzo and Sollum were bombed successfully, and Derna and Tobruk were also raided.

The R.A.F. suffered no losses in these operations.

Directed, in Italian East Africa, was raided and buildings and railway stations were bombed.

An action between an R.A.F. plane on patrol in the Red Sea and three Italian bombers resulted in two of the enemy aircraft being damaged, one of them badly. The British aircraft returned to its base safely.

R.A.F. planes operating from Sudan bombed naval and air force barracks on Abdekar Peninsula at Massama.

**Fifth Column Pigeons**

CAIRO, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—Italian agents are believed to be using carrier pigeons to communicate with the enemy, states an Egyptian military communique. The Egyptian people are therefore, called on to hand over to the authorities any pigeons resembling carrier pigeons.

**Two Ships Sunk**

CAIRO, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—In R.A.F. raids at Ben Khual the railway, wharves and shipping were hit. Objectives at Bardia and Gura, Eritrea, were also hit.

British naval units bombarded the Italian port of Savona, where the Navy munitions and airplane works were damaged.

A submarine sank an Italian supply ship off Genoa and another off the Vado Roads.

**Italian Counter-Claim**

ROME, Oct. 16 (Dome).—Resorting to a torpedo attack after a brief gun duel, the Italian submarine Testa sank a British submarine of the Persus class in Mid-Atlantic last night, the Italian High Command claims.

Exchange of gun and machine-gun fire took place at a close range. The Italian boat then manoeuvred into a favourable position for launching a torpedo attack.

**Daylight Relief**

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—There has hardly been any enemy activity over this country to-day yet states a communique.

Bombs were reported only in one coast town in Scotland and at one point in the West country.

No damage or casualties are reported.

While full particulars are not yet available, it seems clear that despite widespread and quite wanton bombing of civilians in London on Tuesday night, the number of persons killed, though larger than in recent raids, is considered less than in earlier raids of last month.

This morning an enemy float plane was shot down by Coastal Command fighters.

**Greek Specialists**

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—Greece has called a number of engineers and communication specialists to its aid.

One merchant vessel, it is officially stated, was of about 7,000 tons. One of the others, which were small, exploded before sinking.

Another German vessel of about 7,000 tons, adds the communique, was successfully attacked. It was hit with three torpedoes.

**Liverpool Damaged**

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—The British cruiser Liverpool has been damaged in the Mediterranean by enemy torpedo-carrying aircraft.

The Admiralty states that the Liverpool was returning to her base after operations in the Mediterranean when the attack was made, and she is now safely in port.

Casualties were not heavy.

Announcements of the damage was withheld until it was known that the Liverpool had reached her base.

This disposes of another angle of the exaggerated Italian claims of this action. The Italians claimed to have sunk a cruiser.

## NO EXTRA TROOPS

Soviets Deny Border Concentrations

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BUCHAREST, Oct. 16 (UP).—The reports that we have concentrated twelve divisions on the Soviet-Rumanian frontier are entirely unfounded, a high official of the Soviet Legation told the "United Press" to-day.

"It is true that we have a limited and normal number of frontier guards, but there is no concentration of troops at any point on the Soviet-Rumanian frontier," the official added.

It has also been learned from another Soviet source that several Soviet units have been employed recently on "defensive fortifications."

**Athlones To Visit Roosevelt**

QUEBEC, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—Lord and Lady Athlone will spend the week-end as guests of President Roosevelt at Hyde Park, New York.

This was announced from the Citadel—the summer residence of the Canadian Governor-General and his wife when they are away from Ottawa.

## Hospital Hit in New Raid on Chungking

Special to the "Telegraph"

CHUNGKING, Oct. 16, (UP).—Three Japanese planes raided Chungking at twilight tonight. Detonations were heard at 6.25 p.m.

Two localities of the modern suburbs were bombed but the damage was slight. The air raid alarm was sounded at 5.23 p.m. and the all clear at 7.15 p.m.

The Syracuse Hospital was hit later. There were no foreign casualties. One Chinese doctor was wounded. One Chinese doctor and six hospital patients were buried under the debris but all except one patient was dug out.

## Worst Storm Ever Hits Bombay

BOMBAY, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—The worst storm within living memory struck Bombay in the early hours of this morning.

At 3 p.m. local time, streets were comparatively deserted and many of the most important streets were closed to traffic.

Dwellings facing the sea were blown flat.

Much wreckage has been washed ashore and it is feared that loss of life in coastal craft is heavy.

The gale has now been blowing for ten hours. A number of trees have been uprooted and hurled across the roads, disturbing traffic.

Falling trees and collapsing walls killed one person and injured about 60.

**Planes Radiate Over Continent**

## R.A.F. Bombers Blast Nazis' Vital Points

—Blenheims Score

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—The effort of eight German fighters to harass British Blenheim bombers of the Coastal Command while they were raiding Flushing and Terneuzen on Tuesday night was unsuccessful.

The Air Ministry news service says that the Messerschmitts were driven off with machine-gun fire or evaded, and bombing was carried out with the utmost effect.

## THAILAND TO WAIT

Tension With Indo-China

A Little Easier

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BANGKOK, Oct. 16 (UP).—It is reliably reported that the Council of Ministers has decided to continue negotiations with the French Minister at Bangkok, pending the arrival of a French commission from Indo-China, probably on October 25.

It is understood that the police have asked the populace to stop all demonstrations.

A high naval official who returned from the Sattahap naval base four days ago said there were no American vessels there at that time.

He stated that the Navy Ministry had not advised any American vessels carrying war material to China to take refuge there.

**Four Hours Over Kiel**

The raid on Kiel lasted four hours. Tons of bombs were dropped in almost continuous attacks. Direct hits were scored on the jetty of the torpedo boat harbour and on the Marine Academy.

The Deutsche Werft yards and dockyards south-east of the main jetty were repeatedly straddled and a line of heavy bombs burst along the western border of the Germania shipyard.

One salvo started a huge oil fire, having apparently struck fuel stores and trucks.

Besides bombing oil refineries and TURN to Page 5, Column One

## Switzerland Granted Navicerts

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—The British Government have agreed to grant navicerts and export licences to enable Switzerland to maintain a two-months' stock of war materials.

The British Government will also grant navicerts and export licences for any goods which cannot benefit the enemy.

The right is reserved to revise the decision at any time.

**Eden In Egypt**

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—Mr. Anthony Eden, Secretary for War, has arrived in Egypt.

It is understood here that Mr. Eden will have conversations with General Sir Archibald Wavell, C-in-C Middle East, and will also visit contingents of British Allied troops in the Middle East.

## COLONY'S FINEST PHOTOGRAPHS

Hundreds have been daily attending the exhibition of prize-winning and other selected photographs in the "Telegraph" photograph contest. The exhibition is in the Morning Post Building and closes this evening.



## Exhibition Attracts 2,000

Last Day To See Colony's Best Photographs

Nearly 2,000 people have visited the "Telegraph" photographic competition exhibition at the Morning Post Building during the past three days, and this constitutes a new record in the history of the annual exhibition.

Students and other young people have been prominent among the enthusiastic viewers.

Without exception the public has sung the praises of the exhibited photographs and agreed that in quality of work and artistry of expression the photographs are capable of challenging any other exhibition of its type in the world.

To-day is the last opportunity the public will have of seeing the exhibition. It will remain open until 6 o'clock this evening. Visitors should take the lift at the Morning Post Building to the top floor.

**Indian Civil Campaign Starting To-Day**

WARDHA, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—The individual civil disobedience campaign decided on by Congress will be inaugurated on Thursday, it is understood.

Gandhi is understood to be intimating to the District Magistrate at Nagpur that Vinoba—a humble member of the Mahatma's Ashram (seminary)—will open the campaign with an anti-war speech to-morrow morning at the village of Pauran, seven miles from Nagpur.

Gandhi will not be present.

**Punjab Prays**

LAHORE, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—All branches of the Muslim League throughout the Punjab have been instructed to observe November 1 as a special day of prayer for the safety, integrity and independence of Islamic countries.

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## British-Rumanian Trade Ceases

Britons Leaving

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—The British Government had ceased to maintain normal trade relations with Rumania since it became apparent that Rumania was coming increasingly under German domination, stated Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in reply to a question to-day in the House of Commons.

**70 Britons Leave**

BUCHAREST, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—A further 70 members of the British colony in Rumania are leaving Constanza for Istanbul on Thursday.

**Special Oil Measures**

BUCHAREST, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—Coinciding with heavier German demands for oil and despatch of war materials in return, 65 passenger trains, many of which run on important main lines, are to be suspended from midnight to-night until the end of the month.

The official reason for this measure is to make way for transporting supplies for internal needs which have been long delayed owing to military requisitions.

The staff of the German Naval Mission have arrived.

**Roosevelts Conscribed For Army**

NEW YORK, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—Throughout the country to-day, Young America registered at the rate of over 1,000,000 an hour for possible service with the United States' first peace-time draft for the army.

"Park Avenue" millionaires joined Bovey tramps in New York as men between the ages of 21 and 35 queued up to obey the conscription law.

Two of President Roosevelt's sons, John and Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., signed on.

## Soviet And U.S. Policies

Ministers Confer

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—M. Oumansky, the Soviet Ambassador to the United States, conferred for an hour with Mr. Sumner Welles, Assistant Secretary of State.

Although he declined to discuss his visit, it is believed to have been the continuation of the conversations started last week and designed to improve Russo-American relations.

**LATEST**

## Australia Can't Agree On Coalition Cabinet

CANBERRA, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—The meeting of Party managers summoned by Mr. R. G. Menzies, the Australian Prime Minister, to discuss methods of forming a stable government following the election impasse, adjourned to-night without having reached any decision.

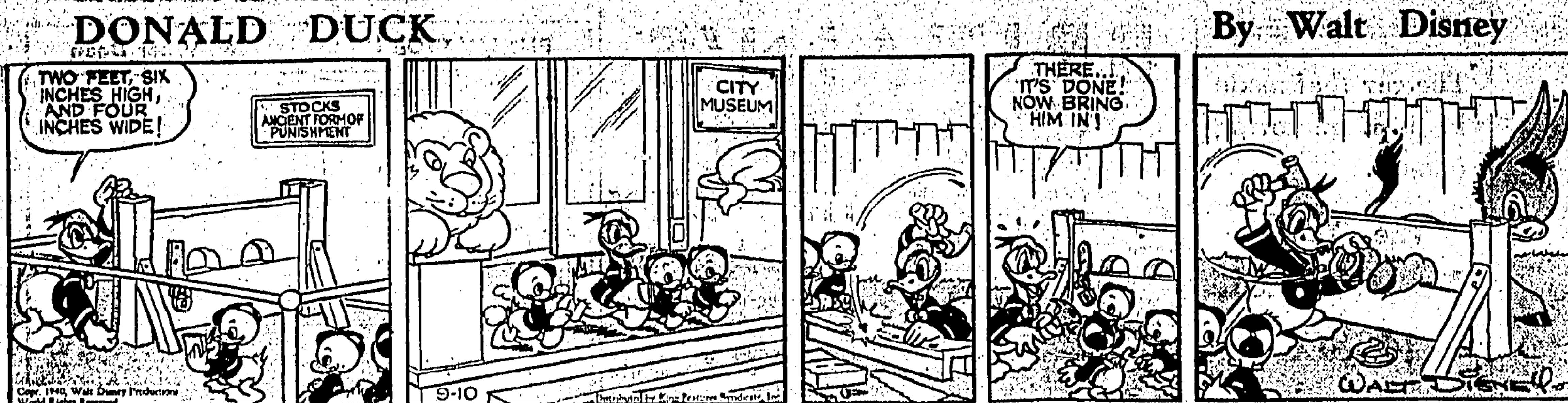
They will re-meet on Monday. Mr. Menzies has issued a statement that the talks were purely exploratory.

"Reuter" learns authoritatively that the Party Managers' Conference will on Monday receive a reply from Mr. Menzies to the proposal put by Mr. John Curtin, Leader of the Labour Party, that Government should indicate the points at which it would be prepared to adopt a policy of co-operation with the National Government of a National War Cabinet should a sound basis be able to this Opposition.









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### SCOTLAND'S STRANGE CASTES

WE think with complacency of the strange castes of India, of the odd and picturesque types of the Balkans or Spain, but now how many of us realise that Scotland in her time has produced unusual castes every whit as romantic and "by-ordinal" as witness the Clan Vic noster, "the Men of the Hide," "the Jockeys," the "Horsemen," and others whom I propose to drag from obscurity.

Indeed, I am convinced that England, Ireland, and Wales combined could not reveal such a collection of fantastic folk as the Scotland of a couple of centuries ago, and I am omitting such obvious "peculiarities" as gypsies, tinkers, "professed plebeians," and their kin.

It is from Martine, in his "Description of the Western Islands," that we catch our only glimpse of the Clan Vic noster, which even in his time, the early eighteenth century, had become almost extinct, only one of its members remaining alive. They were to be found, he tells us, in the island of Iona, and "are said to have been porters."

He derives their name from "Ostlari," which in Latin means "Doorkeepers" or "Doorwards," so that they may have been a nept or family dedicated to the service of the portals of the Abbey and monastery in the sacred Isle. He adds that a tradition existed that St. Columba, the apostle of the Western Isles, because of some misdemeanour committed by them, laid a curse upon the "Clan," dooming them to dwindle to the number of five individuals and to remain for ever at that number.

The legend added that whenever a child was born to any of the five the whole quintet lay under the fear of speedy extinction. "I found one only of this tribe living in this Isle," says Martine, "and both he and the natives of this and of all the Western Isles unanimously declare that this observation never failed; and all this little family is now extinct except this one poor man."

#### Satan in Sutherland

If "The Men of the Hide" were seemingly more numerous than the Clan Vic noster, they appear to have been equally elusive. Their country of origin was Sutherland and they appear to have composed the membership of a society with distinctly occult, not to say Satanic leanings.

We are told that the Satanic majesty in person visited the shire

for the express purpose of recruiting them. As a travelling cloak, he wore the hide of a bull, with horns complete, and upon this skin, as on a parchment, he scribbled the names of his new adherents.

So numerous were these that the entire surface of the hide was filled with names, so that the fiend was compelled to jot several later entries upon the horns which served him as a head-dress.

During his stay in Sutherland, he was encountered by the Laird of Colac, who found him "a nice-spoken gentleman."

From this tradition the men of Melness and district came to be known as "Fur-na-Sioch," "the Men of the Hide," a soft impeachment they were wont to resent by astute cuffs.

Those who have some acquaintance with Highland folklore will easily recognise in the "well-spoken" sentiment of the bullhide the dreadful Satanic figure, but rather a late and solitary priest of the ancient Celtic rite of the totemism, in which the seer or prophet laid himself down beside a waterfall wrapped in a bull's hide to receive enlightenment from the genius or presiding spirit of the solitary place concerning events to come, a proceeding described by Sir Walter Scott in the notes to his "Lady of the Lake."

#### The Beggarly Jockies

And who were the "Jockies"? Well, they had no connection whatever with the stable, if they may in some sort be associated with Pegasus. For they were a wandering caste of Scottish poets or ballad-makers who appear to have survived until the end of the seventeenth century.

In his entertaining book, "The State of the Sea of St. Andrews," written in 1693, George Martine says of them: "To our fathers' time and ours something remained and still does of this ancient order. And they are called by others and by themselves Jockies, who go about begging, and use still to recite the sagacious of most of the true ancient surnames of Scotland from old experience and observation. Some of them I have discoursed, and found to have reason and discretion. One of them told me that there were not now twelve of them in the whole Isle; but he remembered when they abounded, so as at one time he was one of five that, usually met at St. Andrews."

John Colvill, a Scots minister, who died in 1807, and who is remembered by his apostasy from Presbyterianism, remarks in his Latin funeral oration on the death of Queen Elizabeth: "When I was a boy I heard the beggarly jockies recite certain homely verses ascribed to Thomas the Rhymer, a reputed prophet."

#### Pipers and Fairies

More interesting are the several piper castes which formerly

flourished in the Highlands. The most famous of them were the gifted Mac Crimmon family, attached to the Macleods of Dunvegan, and the only less celebrated MacArthurs, the hereditary pipers of the MacDonnells. The Mac Crimmons had their headquarters at a musical "college" in the tenement of Borehall, near Dunvegan, which they held rent-free, while the MacArthurs pursued their craft at Peilgown.

The rivalry between these two pibroch societies was intense, and tradition had it that either side was supported and encouraged by fairy patrons, who were believed to supply them with enchanted reeds and even on occasion with bagpipes.

Sometimes the fairies quarrelled among themselves about the respective merits of their protégés. Some of the Macphersons, too, received similar gifts from the elves, particularly that performer who was presented with the black chanter of Clan Chattan by his fairy sweetheart, in the same way as young John Mac Crimmon received a silver chanter from a fairy damsel at Borehall in return for his inspired playing.

#### Weird Horsemen

"The Horsemen! The Horsemen! Society!" How the far North still rings with the tradition of that name. Even to-day its mysteries are said to continue, and by many a farm fireside in the long winter evenings strange tales of this weird brotherhood are recounted.

Well do I remember from boyhood days how deeply impressed by its glamour were our sonsy maidens from the North and how "sweet" they were to speak of it.

There was a "Horseman's word," the knowledge of which conferred strange powers, but to reveal it would assuredly entail consequences the most terrible.

After much burrowing, I am given to believe that the Horseman's Society was a secret brotherhood of farm servants of the ploughman class who, after finishing their apprenticeship, were duly initiated into it to the recompense of strange rites, including trick-riding on horseback, and a good deal of what might appropriately be called "horse-play."

About forty years ago a farm servant sued another in the Sheriff Court at Aberdeen for the return of a pound note, which he had paid him to reveal "the horseman's word." The canny Aberdonian had pocketed the note, but refused to divulge the mystic term.

I could tell you of queer folk in the remote corners of the Western Isles, of a type utterly foreign to the inhabitants, whose business was to gather whecks, of hereditary guardians of sacred wells and stones who still held office not many decades ago, of seers and the last sad ministers of decaying trades.

### ARMY GOES SALVAGING

SALVAGE at home is a thing of vital importance and has at last come into its own. Better late than never—and after all it was late in 1917, or perhaps early in 1918, that the value of salvage on the battlefields at least was sufficiently realised for the Army Authorities to appoint salvage parties to go round the shell-torn terrain in France and Belgium, and so save thousands of pounds and much vital material.

These salvage parties were mostly composed of C 3 men, fellows who had been wounded or who had become unfit for the continuous strain of the front line. I have vivid memories of one day spent with such a party, having volunteered to take charge during the temporary absence of their own N.C.O.

#### A "Miracle"

It was in Northern France, about the St. Leger district, and my party rattled up in an Army lorry that sounded as if its best days were gone and forgotten. So much so that, as they jumped down, Downy Pedlar, the White-chapel humorist, said to the driver:—

"When we gets back to-night, ole cock, remind me, will yer, to put the ole bus on top o' the salvage. If someone don't, she will jest gradually fide away—like a blinkin' ghost. Sye cully," as another idea got hold of him "she ain't a ruddy ghost now, is she?"

MacPherson removed a disreputable clay pipe from his mouth. "Dinna be daft, Downy," he said. "She's nae ghost, she brings us ten mile. She's a bloomin' miracle."

The driver got down, spluttering with wrath. "Now look ere," he cried. "I'm jest about fed up with yer remarks, see! May a blinkin' bomb go off at the first ammunition dump you find. S'long."

"S'long, Bill," they called after him cheerfully, "we'll make a wheel come off an' ditch yer five miles from home."

All fashionable compliments being thus disposed of, they immediately set to work, spreading out so as to cover as much ground as possible.

#### The Burial Party

And what a day it was. Jerry's long-range guns were for ever, at most unexpected moments, searching the ground won from them two days back, and twenty times we had to take shelter in shell holes.

One incident that the men thought an excellent joke was when a burial party, searching the ground for the bodies of our own men first of all, and sheltering in a large shell-hole, were themselves buried by the explosion of a big shell.

Our salvage party rushed into the open and began digging frenziedly, well knowing that, if any were left alive, every second counted. To our joy we were able to rescue the whole bunch of five men.

Then the ragging began with Downy asking, "What's the best thing to do with a burial party boys?" and the immediate answer, "Bury the blighters."

The resurrected burial party goes off muttering to itself and our party resumes its scavenging. And what a rich field to work in! Lack of material there is none, rather are we embarrassed with the wealth strewn broadcast. The trail of war is traced in potential wealth of all kinds. Let us see:—Shrapnel helmets, blind-sticking sticks, gas masks, shells, bombs, covered packs, wire, bicycles, boots, shell-cases, and blankets. But are taken down and the wood and the corrugated iron carefully

preserved, as are coils of wire, waterproof sheets and many other valuable articles. All are duly collected and carried to a general dump beside the "dry-weather track," as the near-by notice advises.

#### Fokker "Eggs"

"Blind Bart," who wears large round spectacles, because, as Dusty Miller says, "He can't believe his own eyes," and who is making a painful way towards the dump, carrying a dozen blankets which obscure his poor sight further, and attempt to trip him at every alternate step, suddenly disappears into a shell-hole filled with a filthy green water. When he emerges, to the accompaniment of loud demands for an encore from his unfeeling mates, he is dyed a rich green.

"Dyed for 'is bleedin' country!" exclaims Downy Pedlar, pretending to weep.

A couple of Fokkers fly overhead and throw down at us about a dozen small "egg-bombs"—little things of the shape and size of duck eggs. Vicious little brutes they are, too, and intended to catch the fellows who throw themselves on the ground, for they burst straight along that level.

Dusty Miller catches a splinter along the cheek and his remarks are something to endeavour to forget. MacPherson adds to his fury by suggesting that the scar is really an improvement.

#### A Great Job

We scrounge tea from an A.S.C. dump, and sit down to a lunch of bully-beef sandwiches and scalding tea, have a smoke, and are back at the job in an hour.

Larking and chaffing like a party of schoolboys, ducking periodically from shell and bomb, but steadily increasing the dump by the roadside.

Then the same old bus comes rattling along, the driver grinning a friendly welcome, which changes to a scowl as the salvage party begin chanting:—

"It's the ghost of John James Christopher Benjamin Blinn. Comes here battering, clattering, just like some rusty ole tins. An' the thing we want to know, is, will it last for an hour or so. We think to salvage it should go—Fear old Benjamin Blinn!"

They are aboard waving and shouting, "So-long, sarge," and go clattering down the "dry-weather track" towards camp and dinner. A great crowd! A great job, salvage!

J. C. Graham.

### Vichy Breaks With Holland

#### German Pressure

The Press service of the Dutch Government in London announces that their diplomatic relations with the Petain Government will be suspended. The Dutch Government informed the Dutch Minister at Vichy that they felt themselves compelled to take steps to this effect.

An authoritative Dutch source the French decision has been received with regret. Relations with France had remained courteous and friendly after the armistice of June 16, and it is felt that the Petain Government is acting only under strong pressure from Germany, which cannot tolerate the presence of a Dutch Legation at Vichy enjoying the usual diplomatic privileges, including the freedom of informing their Government by confidential means of the situation in France.

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### Hollywood Has The Strangest Insurance Policies

GEORGE Zucco, the Manchester-born character-actor, recently insured himself against losing his English accent.

This was one of the unusual policies handled by the Laidlaw-Kennel Company, Lloyd's representatives in Hollywood. They have handled many more, some of them so unusual that they had to cable to London for instructions.

Greta Nissen, the Norwegian star, has insured her back against injury mainly from sunburn.

"That was an interesting case," said Mr. Kennel. "We had to get a physician to describe her back for the purpose of the policy."

Then there was Patricia Morison. The Paramount studios wanted to advertise the fact that she was appearing in "Untamed."

It occurred to studio officials that an untamed woman might conceivably have a husband. So they

applied for what they called "love insurance."

This made a newspaper item. It also made a lot of work for the underwriters, but finally they produced a policy which filled the bill.

This promised to pay Miss Morison \$250 a week, up to \$2,500, should she be "prevented from pursuing her profession owing to matrimonial entanglements." The studio paid the premium for a short time, but if Miss Morison wants the insurance to continue it will cost her another \$250.

"We have not had to pay a single loss on any of this business," Mr. Landi said. "Most of it would seem to be for publicity purposes. While we don't seek that, the premiums we don't have been net profit, and we can't complain about that."

Nelson Eddy, Metro-Goldwyn's baritone star, recently applied for insurance against losing his voice, and also against any disfigurement of his face. This application, of course, is in the more serious class.

"It's like an accident policy, in which a mechanic gets \$5,000 if he loses his hands," Mr. Landi explained. "He makes his living with them. Mr. Eddy makes his with his voice and face."

"We'd pay up if his razor slipped one morning and made it impossible for him to work before the cameras. Even if he got a boil which laid him off we'd pay."

The main business of the agency is "love insurance," whereby a producer insures against loss because of illness among his actors during the production of a picture.





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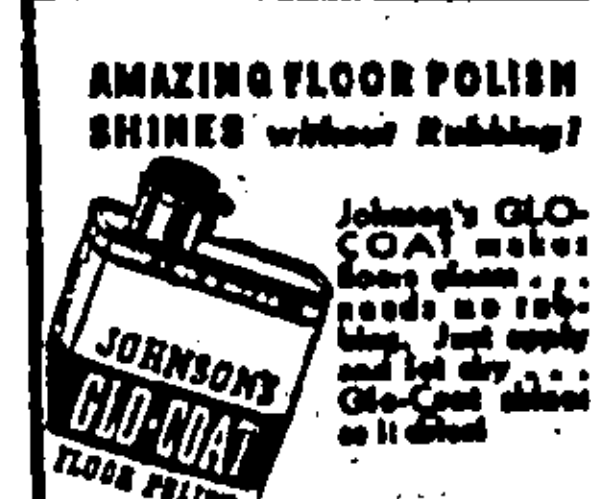


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Thursday, Oct. 17, 1940.

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### BEATEN AND DISCREDITED

THE British Navy has struck another blow; not decisive, perhaps, from the strictly material point of view, but highly important in its moral effect upon the enemy. This war has already proved one thing; that whenever British naval units are given a chance of closing with the enemy, they are superior in every phase of fighting.

To H.M.S. Ajax, that bold, daring, courageous man-o-war once again goes the honours of a fight well fought and a victory well deserved. It was the Ajax who played such an important part in the defeat of Germany's "unbentable" pocket battleship Admiral Graf Spee off Montevideo in December last; it was the Ajax which this week sent two Italian destroyers to the bottom of the Mediterranean and crippled another so badly that her final destruction was merely a matter of hours. This is a proud enough record for any warship after twelve months of war and few opportunities of coming to grips with the opposition.

Apart from the achievement of the Ajax, the most significant feature about this latest Mediterranean naval action was the gross exaggeration of the Italian claims. Clearly hoping to trap the British Commander-in-Chief into making a hurried statement on the action before precise and accurate information was available, the Italian propaganda department blared out to the world the "news" of a "great naval victory". For 36 hours the British Admiralty remained silent, but it was not the silence of the damned, but the proper caution of those who appreciate that the truth, even if it cannot be revealed until sometime after the lies have been told, is still the best guarantee of winning public confidence, both at home and abroad.

The British Admiralty relied on the official report of the Commander-in-Chief, not the wild imaginings of a propaganda office, and the truth of that naval engagement is now known. The result is not only a triumph for our navy, but a vindication of the policy of basing official reports on indisputable evidence in preference to wishful thinking and extravagant imaginings.

A double blow has been struck at Italy; her ships have been defeated and her propaganda discredited.

# BRITAIN'S WOMEN

## —THEY DEFY DANGER

The first member of the British women's forces has just been decorated by King George VI. She is Miss Daphne Pearson, an officer in the Women's Auxiliary Air Force. She was awarded the Medal of the Order of the British Empire for her bravery in extricating a pilot from his crashed aircraft. Having pulled him from the plane, she threw herself over him to protect him from the explosion of a 120lb bomb.

Such an act thrills the imagination with its spectacular courage. Miss Pearson dismisses it as a spontaneous impulse... over before she had time to think. She says the really brave women are those members of Britain's Civil Defence who go calmly out on duty every time the sirens blow an air raid warning.

These women know the risks they run. They are abundantly illustrated to them throughout the highly specialised training they undergo to enable them to reduce these risks for other people.

Upon their courage and unwavering devotion to duty the safety of the civil population of Britain depends. Every day and night in every part of the country they wait ready for instant service. They would deride the suggestion that they were heroines and deprecate the fact that they are brave!

Here and there a spectacular story of this bravery emerges... to stir the imagination and warm the heart. Mostly their part in this great war drama passes unnoticed in the surge of quick moving events. Or becomes engulfed in the monotony of routine work.

There is nothing, for instance, particularly thrilling or demanding much in the way of gallantry, in standing by a waiting ambulance. It must be cleaned—kept in perfect running order. Long hours must pass in which the driver has nothing more dramatic with which to pass the time than knitting, sewing or reading. Then, without warning, there is an instant in which the world about her shakes and crumbles with the roar of an exploding bomb.

First-aid training has equipped her to deal with casualties. She knows every house as well as every road in her district well enough to circumvent craters or debris however dark or foggy it may be.

Her mind can instantly work out an alternative route should roads be blocked so that her cases can be got to hospital with the least delay.

Officially the raid should be over before she starts up her ambulance for the scene of the damage. It frequently is—and another one started. En route there is little to protect her from flying shrapnel, splinters or machine gun bullets.

Fifty thousand women drive ambulances in Britain to-day. They do not think of these things as risks. Merely as incidents which might be encountered in the execution of the job! When war broke out a schoolmistress in a large West of England town thought she could help the Fire Service by doing office work during the evenings. For months she answered the telephone and typed messages. A few nights ago her prosaic job flamed to the stuff of which glory is made.

She was alone on duty. High explosive bombs began to fall on her district. She heard the explosions growing rapidly nearer. Knowing that her post was adjoining one of the targets, she calmly phoned for ambulances and demolition squads as it became evident these would be necessary. Her only complaint was that the blast made it difficult to keep her seat... with one hand on the

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phone and the other clutching her papers! When women were first invited to volunteer for duty as Air Raid Wardens, there was considerable criticism from certain sections of the public. Many people felt that it was "A man's job". To-day they are thankful it is a woman's too.

Eighty thousand women wardens in various parts of Great Britain have proved their gallantry and usefulness in action in a manner which has made a profound impression. Actual experience of raids has given many instances in which a woman's warm-hearted sympathy and understanding in difficult situations have been invaluable.

When buildings are demolished a man's strength is necessary to extricate the casualties. It isn't as useful in calming distracted relatives who must wait patiently while their loved ones are released. Or in that more painful duty, consoling those whose relatives have been maimed or killed.

Hysteria seldom occurs. When it does a man can deal easily with it. A woman's tact as easily prevents it happening. This is one of the reasons why women wardens are in such demand for duty in shelters during air raids. If one child should start crying its distress would soon be taken up by others. So the wardens organise games, singing and competitions. One south coast town has a woman warden who tells children's stories so well that she has to be lent from one district to another. Wardens in another town have formed a concert party to amuse their charges as they wait for the "All Clear."

That impulse which makes every woman rush to help those in distress cannot be better served than by this hazardous duty called into being by the barbarism of modern warfare. It has been found that in action women act instantaneously—without the slightest regard of risk to their own safety.

"Divinely foolhardy" was a man warden's comment on a woman colleague's recent exploit. It happened during the bombing of Plymouth.

The warden was on patrol when gunfire broke out overhead and a bomb fell wrecking an adjacent block of houses. She should have taken shelter until the raid had passed. Instead, she picked herself up from the ground to which she had been thrown by blast and was in the bombed house extricating the inhabitants before the dust from debris had subsided.

No less inspiring was the action of a Nottingham woman. Incendiary bombs had fired a group of houses in her district. She set to work to procure a pump, water and all possible assistance. No sooner was work started on the fire than high explosive bombs began coming down. These did not perturb her. From the top of her ladder she continued to spray her neighbour's blazing roof as calmly as though she were watering the garden.

One could multiply these stories many times. They make a saga in this horrific warfare that it will be good to remember out of so much the world will want to forget.

There are stories of the bravery of civilians, too. Like the one of two old ladies in a Southern town. They were bombed literally out of bed, being thrown from one side of the room to the other when a bomb cut off the entire front of their house. As one had a weak heart a doctor lost no time in going to see how they were. He found them at two in the morning, serving teas as calmly as if it had been four in the afternoon, to the family next door, who had also called to see how they were progressing.

This determination to take what comes without allowing it to disturb the serene pattern of living is evident all over Britain. Men, women and children busy themselves in the matter of fact fashion of their everyday lives in a world that at any moment may come toppling about their ears. When it does it can't be helped. Till it does why worry? Is their attitude towards it all.

Danger and adventure have always been the salt of the Britisher's existence. The patriotism and courage of their ancestors is world history.

Everyone in Great Britain to-day is ready to deal the same way with history in the making.

Particularly the women

### FUNNY SIDE UP

By Abner Dean



"Sure, I know our time is up to-day... but there's no fun in just walking out the front gate!"

## P.I. are having an Election

MANILA, Oct. 12 (UP).—The next elections for local officials—provincial governors, town mayors, etc.—will be held in December, and Manuel Luis Quezon's omnipotent Nacionalista party is now confronted by fights within itself. Party leaders are busy ironing out disputes to avoid possible dangerous splits.

While it confronts no real opposition on a national scale, the Nacionalista party still has two wings, in many provinces, and candidates of these factions are now vying for nomination as official standard-bearers of the party.

Indicating the extent of factional rivalries, the provinces of Cagayan, Cebu, and Albay have already been proclaimed "free zones" by the standing committee of the party.

This means that the Nacionalista factions there will be allowed to fight it out at the polls—there will be no official candidates chosen in convention. Bohol may also be declared a free zone. In these free zones, there is no danger of any opposition party men winning anything.

Disputes within the party are particularly bitter in Occidental Negros, home province of Speaker Jose Yulo.

The situation in this province was considered so serious that it was believed Commonwealth President Quezon may intervene to avoid discontent among important party men.

One of the two Nacionalista factions in the Occidental Negros is led by Speaker Yulo himself; the other is headed by Secretary of Interior Rafael Alunan and Assemblymen Pedro Hernandez. Both factions have a candidate for governor.

A convention has been scheduled for Occidental Negros, but the Alunan faction wants the province declared a free zone, contending that the Yulo faction's candidate would surely be nominated in a convention.

Representative of the Alunan faction have asked National Assembly Floor Leader Quintin Paredes, acting president of the party in Yulo's absence, that Occidental Negros be declared a free zone and indicated they would take the matter to Quezon himself, if their request should be denied.

In Tayabas, home province of Quezon, Governor Casiano Sandoval has suddenly withdrawn from the gubernatorial race in favour of Gregorio Sena, a provincial board member.

It was reported Sandoval withdrew because Quezon had a "lukewarm" attitude toward his aspiration for re-election. It was understood "Tayabas" may be declared a free zone because of a strong Nacionalista bloc has put a candidate against Sena.

The race for the Pangasinan's governorship promises to be one of the most interesting in the province's history.

Cipriano Primicias, former member of the defunct House of Representatives, has been nominated by a convention of delegates from his faction.

Another Nacionalista, Dr. Santiago Estrada, was previously nominated by a convention of town mayors and councillors as official candidate and has the backing of majority of the province's national assemblymen. Primicias was reported determined to go ahead with the fight despite his opponent's apparently stronger following.

The gubernatorial race in Camarines Norte is attracting wide attention in view of the fact that an opposition party, Young Philippines, has put up a candidate, Wenceslao Q. Vinzon, young attorney and president of the party. Vinzon is running against incumbent Governor Miguel Lukban, Nacionalista leader predicted that Lukban would be re-elected despite Vinzon's reported growing strength.

The standing committee of the Nacionalista party has proclaimed only two official candidates for governor, namely, Eduardo Cojuangco for Tarlac and Under Secretary of Labour Vicente de la Cruz for Leyte.

Members of the committee believe the December elections, although only for local officials, will reflect the people's attitude toward the Quezon administration.

Aside from being careful in deciding inter-faction disputes, the committee is carefully selecting candidates in each province in order to maintain not only party solidarity but also party prestige.

### Monarchists Busy

THE French monarchists are getting busy again. One of them, the Comte de Lusignan, has reached London, where he is putting over propaganda for the restoration of the French monarchy.

He claims that the stock of the pretender Comte de Paris, who has now returned to France from Brazil, has risen considerably and he hopes that, just as the debacle of 1870 overthrew the Empire, and produced a Republic, so the present catastrophe may overthrow the Republic and produce a Monarchy.

#### Ancient Kings

The Comte de Lusignan has royal blood in his own veins. His name, sake was made King of Cyprus at the time of the Crusade, and his family reigned there for a considerable time. The Lusignan arms can still be seen on churches in Cyprus and also where in the Near East.



## Poor, Rich— Black-Out Fines Same

Fines for black-out offences at Southend will be the same for rich and poor people.

This was announced in the police court by the Mayor, Alderman, W. Miller.

A man who pleaded guilty to showing a light asked that his reduced circumstances and his family should be considered when the penalty was assessed.

"There seems to be a mistaken impression," said Alderman Miller, "that if people are in humble circumstances the fine should be very much less."

"That would be so in ordinary circumstances, but we are at war now and the offenders who come before us have not only placed themselves in jeopardy but the whole of their neighbourhood."

"There can be no differentiation in the fines to be inflicted." The offender paid £3—the same penalty as that imposed on the manager of the town's biggest hotel.

## R.A.F. Bombers Blast Nazis' Vital Points

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store plants at Hamburg, Sarzbergen and Gelsenkirchen, the R.A.F. also bombed Hamburg and Duisburg docks and attacked targets at Grevenbroich, Cologne, Schöneberg, Schoebreck, Neuhaldensleben and Düsseldorf.

**Lands In Lapland**  
STOCKHOLM, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—A British plane landed near Gällivare, Northern Lapland, this morning after being fired at by Swedish A.A. guns.

A communique from the Swedish General Staff announcing this says that the plane and crew of two have been interned.

**Navy Adds Guns**  
LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—Fires were seen and, it is considered, considerable damage was done when naval units bombarded Dunkirk last night, states an Admiralty communique.

## Cammel Laird Head Killed In Nazi Raid

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—Mr. W. L. Hitchens, Chairman of the great shipping firm, Messrs. Cammel Laird, Director of the London, Midland and Scottish Railway, and other large industrial concerns, and a member of the Carnegie New York Trust, has been killed in a London air raid. He was aged 66.

## Nazis Send Children To Denmark For Meals

LONDON, Aug. 26.—Widespread sabotage is plaguing Nazi authorities in occupied France, it is reported here.

According to these reports, saboteurs repeatedly have damaged or loosened railroad tracks, tampered with signals, cut telephone lines, and looted trains filled with food for the Reich.

Meanwhile, information received from Denmark reveals the growing gravity of the situation there. The Danes already have been warned that they face a winter of hunger and cold. Rations will be based on leaves composed half of corn and half of husks, supplemented by grain.

The food shortage has been aggravated by the Nazi practice of sending parties of 30,000 soldiers' children into Denmark for three-week "feeding holidays."

In Holland, during the first 10 weeks of Nazi occupation, that country was compelled to export to the Reich more vegetables than the Dutch normally export to all countries in a year, official Dutch circles here charged.

In addition, the Nazi authorities ordered Dutch canneries to go on 24-hour shifts to can remaining vegetables earmarked for the Reich's winter needs.

## Night Clubs In Soho Grow Rich On Troops

SERVICE men on leave in London, described how they were inveigled into visiting Soho "gold digging dens" and were parted from most of their money.

It is the touting for these dens, masquerading as night clubs and bottle parties, that social workers want made a criminal offence.

A Scottish corporal's experiences were typical of the stories. "During the first two days I was in London I took me to dens that must have cost me over £10," he said.

**Reopened**  
"You can get beer there if you can dance, there are girls, you will have a wonderful time, a tout told a friend and myself in the street and he propelled us round the corner."

## KING AND CROWD IGNORED BOMBS V.C.'s KNEES KNOCKED TOGETHER AT PALACE

NO ONE in Buckingham Palace—least of all the King—took much notice of the air raid which was in progress while he was decorating heroes of the Navy, Army and Air Force.

The sirens sounded half an hour before the investiture was due to start. Many wives, mothers, fathers, sisters and sweethearts were already in their seats in the Grand Hall.

They stayed put. Officials moved quietly round the room, closing the wooden window shutters. A little boy slept on his mother's lap.

The King ordered that no change should be made in the programme. Wearing the uniform of a marshal of the R.A.F., he stood on a dais.

He gave the V.C. to an ex-bank clerk, Second-Lieutenant Richard Annand, who rescued his wounded brother-in-law during the fighting in France. Then, said Lieutenant Annand afterwards—

"He congratulated me on my engagement. It was very nice of him to bother."

**"I Nearly Cried"**  
The ex-bank clerk's engagement to Miss Shirley Osborne was announced recently.

Miss Osborne said: "I held hands with one of my relations during the investiture, and when the Lord Chamberlain read out what Richard had done I nearly cried."

The Osbornes and the Annands joined up with Lieut.-Commander Richard B. Stannard—awarded the V.C. for outstanding valour at Namsos, Norway—and Mrs. Stannard for a celebration lunch when everything was over. Miss Osborne was wearing the diamond engagement ring of her fiancé's late mother.

"It's temporary," she said. "We are trying to decide between a diamond and sapphire and a diamond and ruby."

Lieut.-Commander Stannard said: "Do you know, I couldn't tell you what the King said to me. There was a little pulse drumming in my forehead, and another in my throat, and my knees were knocking."

Another man who got the V.C. was Flight-Lieutenant Roderick Lennox, for his attack on the Dortmund-Ems Canal. Altogether nearly 350 heroes received decorations. Lord Beaverbrook, Minister of Aircraft Production, was there to see his son, Squadron-Leader the Hon. Max Aitken, receive the D.F.C.

The Queen was not present. She drove out of the Palace, dressed in white, and waved to the crowd, before the all-clear sounded. She visited Fling Day Fund depots and the Stock Exchange.

**GERMAN PLANES  
OVER SWEDEN**  
LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—A Swedish communique stated that a German seaplane which flew over Swedish waters off the coast of Southern Scania was driven off by the air defences.

On Tuesday several flights over Swedish territory were made by foreign planes.

German planes were seen off the coast of Scania and Bohuslan, where a British plane flew over Swedish territory.

## YUGO-SLAVIA To Protect Navigation In Danube

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—A Committee, on which the Commander-in-Chief of the Yugo-Slav forces will be represented, are to take necessary measures to protect navigation on the Yugo-Slav section of the Danube, states the Belgrade radio.

The measures are authorised by a decree just passed by the Council of Ministers.

**STOCK EXCHANGE**  
ARGENTINE RAILS MOVE.  
HIGHER WITH BONDS

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange to-day was firm despite the quietness of trading.

Gilt-edged stocks again advanced under the lead of War Loans. Industrials were narrowly irregular but gains appeared to outnumber losses.

Following the recent strength of Argentine bonds, Argentine rails improved while gold-minings were occasionally brighter shortly before the close of business.

Wall Street was higher.

## Duty-Free Tobacco

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—Tobacco free of United Kingdom duty can now be sent to members of the British forces anywhere abroad (except India and Burma) under extension of an arrangement announced by the Treasury.

**Nazis Captured With  
Pitchfork**

LONDON, Aug. 26. Lewis H. Frith a gamekeeper of South East England this week captured four Nazi airmen who scrambled out of their Dornier 17 bomber when it was forced down on a farm. He was armed with a pitchfork and was accompanied by his dog.

**He Goes To Bed With  
30,000 Wasps In Room**

DENNIS FOSS, twenty-four, of Bilford-avenue, Worcester, never feels lonely in the night. He sleeps with 30,000 wasps in his bedroom.

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The "something" was a wasps' nest.

Dennis begged his mother not to destroy it, and the wasps, undisturbed, carried on with their building.

Their home now measures 15 inches across.

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## FREE FRENCH BODIES STARTED IN SOUTH AMERICA

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—Brazil, Argentine, Uruguay, Chile and Mexico have established National Committees acting in close co-operation with the Free French Forces, stated Mr. R. A. Butler, in reply to a question in the House of Commons to-day.

Mr. Butler added that Committees were also formed in the United States, Egypt, Canada, Australia, South Africa and Mauritius.

Representatives of General Charles de Gaulle were engaged in setting up National Committees in a number of other countries.

The British Government were rendering all assistance.

## Trade With Britain

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—Britain is bringing trade to the French colonies that have joined General Charles de Gaulle.

From the French Cameroons, Britain is buying more than one third of the total cocoa crop, more than half the coffee crop and large quantities of agricultural produce and timber.

The condition of purchase is that merchants selling these stocks must take equivalent purchases from the producers.

Britain has also undertaken to buy the whole of the Cameroons' 1940-41 cocoa crop and will also buy the existing stocks of Chad cotton and is arranging to buy the next crop.

Certain necessary supplies are being imported with British help.

## Spaniards Must Eat Luxury Grapes Daily

MADRID, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—Hotels and restaurants in Spain are to serve grapes as dessert for at least one meal daily.

A decree to this effect is issued by Senor Serrano Suner, Minister of the Interior.

It is hoped to dispose of some of the production of Almeria grapes, the foreign trade of which is at present paralysed.

They were formerly one of Spain's most valuable exports.

## AUXILIARY NURSES

All members of the Auxiliary Nursing Service are invited to attend morning service at St. John's Cathedral on Hospital Sunday, October 20, at 11 a.m. in uniform, if possible.

The Hon. Director of Medical Services, Dr. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke, will address the congregation. Seating accommodation will be reserved for those sending in their names to the Hon. Secretary A.N.S.

Members who have made arrangements with the Principal Matron for their hospital training, and who have not received their badge, can obtain it from the A.N.S. office on application.

## STOCK MARKET REPORT

Yesterday's rates were maintained in the few transactions recorded this morning.

**Buyers**  
H.K. Banks \$1,215  
Union Ins. \$380  
Providents \$4,400  
Hofels \$2,200  
Lands \$30.25  
Realities \$35.30  
Trams \$15.50  
Electric (new) \$35.90  
Telephones (old) \$23  
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Cinema \$15.25  
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Dairy Farms \$17  
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## DIAMOND EXPERTS ARE BUSY —Refugees

By A Correspondent

In a south-western London suburb I found a colony of modern Huguenots—Dutch and Belgian refugee diamond-cutters who are going to teach British craftsmen the secrets of their trade.

They came over, some in British warships, others in small fishing boats, and with only the tools of their trade with them, when Germany occupied the Low Countries.

The Government is to build a factory which will employ more than 100 of them. Eight factories, employing 100 men, are already in operation under the Government scheme to develop this important export industry.

**From Amsterdam**  
The disappearance of Amsterdam and other Continental diamond-cutting centres from the competitive market gives British export trade an opportunity to cater for the increased demand in America for finished precious stones.

In this country, too, the demand has been stimulated. A Hutton Garden diamond merchant told me that many wealthy people are buying diamonds because they are regarded as a safe form of security.

The refugees are all specialists in their trade and are all very eager to give the benefit of their unrivalled knowledge to British workers. I found that the majority of them speak English quite well and feel at home already.

"Our trade is an international one," I was told by one of them, "and makes us very cosmopolitan in outlook. Some of us speak three or four European languages."

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## Gallantry Of Railway Gangers

Stripped to the waist because of the intense heat from the burning wagons, with not even a steel helmet to protect them from debris caused by explosions, two railwaymen saved an ammunition train which had been hit by an explosive bomb.

The story of the heroic action of Sub-ganger George Frederick Keen and Lengthman George Henry Leach is told in an announcement by the Ministry of Transport and the official report of the Southern Railway.

The train, consisting of some 50 wagons, was standing on a single-line railway somewhere in the South of England when it was bombed on the night of August 22. The two railwaymen hastily collected a working party to assist in removing the undamaged wagons to a place of safety.

**Worked Among Bombs**  
The moving of the wagons took about two hours. During the whole of that time explosions were taking place from the burning wagons.

Keen resides in a house next to the line. Shortly before midnight, seeing a flash outside, he left his house and counted 11 incendiary bombs being dropped. They were followed by explosive bombs, one of which hit the third truck of ammunition.

Keen first helped people in neighbouring cottages into their shelters. He was joined about ten minutes later by Leach, who was at home two miles from the scene, but, thinking that a bomb must have fallen near the train, had jumped on his bicycle and hurried to the line.

**Saved Munitions**  
Keen called upon certain military personnel from an adjoining salvage depot to volunteer to help him save some of the wagons. Five auxiliary firemen who had arrived by this time also volunteered.

The official report from the Southern Railway Company says that but for the action of Keen and Leach in starting to move the wagons most of the train would probably have been involved.

Sub-ganger Keen took the lead and organised the efforts of the railway and other volunteers. Both railwaymen concerned acted quite regardless of their own safety.

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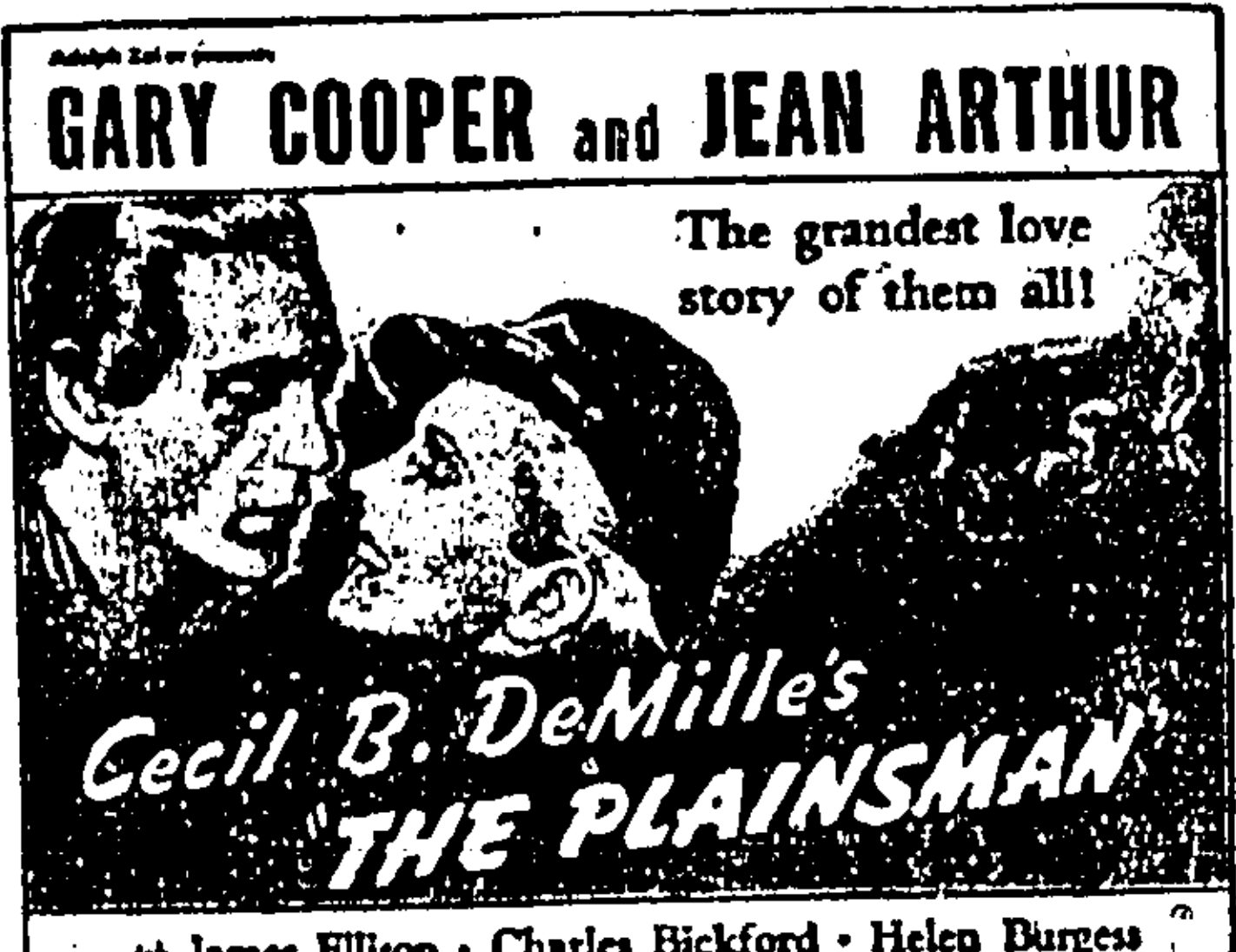
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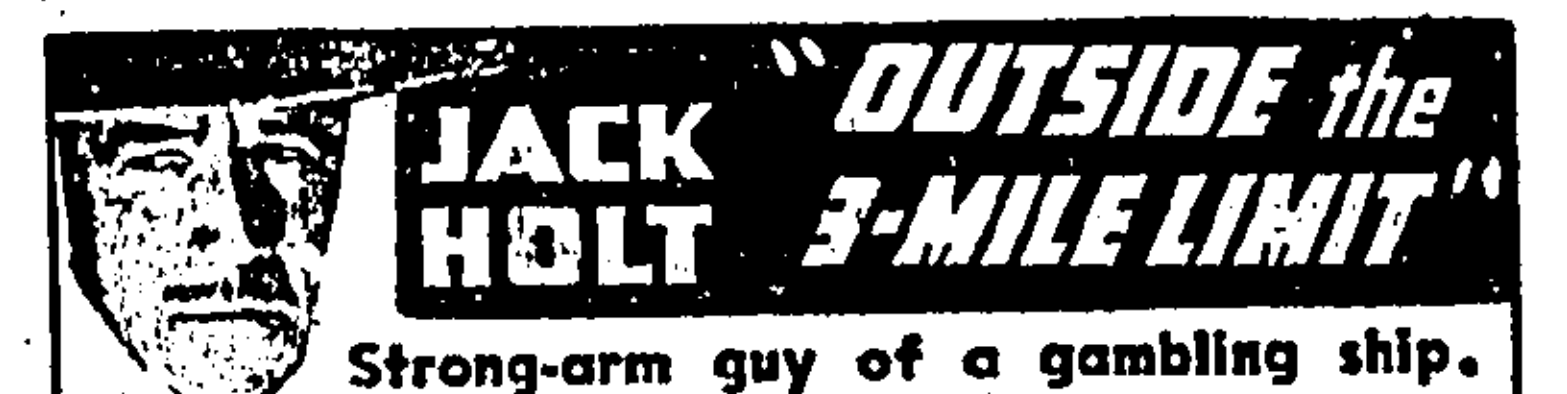
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### 'Let's get at them!'

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—General Sir Ian Hamilton in Inverness.

### "Arms Dug Up From Graf Spee Graves"

An amazing story of fake funerals of Graf Spee sailors is told in a letter written by an Englishwoman living in Buenos Aires.  
The writer of the letter alleges that authorities in Uruguay were gradually seeing sailors of the Graf Spee, who had been "buried" with full naval honours.  
The suspicions of the authorities were aroused and an order was given for the exhumation of more than 30 bodies.  
When opened the coffins were found to be filled with ammunition and rifles which had been taken from the Graf Spee before she was scuttled.  
It is thought that the ammunition and rifles were to be used to help in the carrying out of acts of violence against Uruguay when Nazi plans were ready.

### Nazis Tell Their Version of Everything

## Revelations: Berlin Issues Advance Copy

—White Book

The Portuguese Government organ "Diario de Manha" publishes the text, received from Berlin, of six documents which will appear in the next German White Book, now ready for issue.

Document one is a long memorandum on the possibilities of help for Finland, wherein M. Daladier is quoted as having stated in a telegram to London that effective help would be dependent on Swedish consent.

Document two gives the opinion of the French War Council that the British expedition to Norway was a fiasco and the British Intelligence Service unequal to its task.

"Said M. Reynaud . . ."

Document three gives M. Reynaud's report on the War Council to Mr. Chamberlain, including a recommendation to set up a single command for the Scandinavian operations.

Number four reports the conviction of the British Government that the Trondheim operations were doomed to failure in face of increasing German pressure and air superiority.

The fifth document attributes the failure of the Norwegian expedition to lack of effective command.

Document six discusses the possibility of blocking the Danube to prevent shipments of oil from Rumania to Germany.

### NAZI SNEERS

France Has "No Kultur"

"France has no Kultur," was the dictum of a German briefing officer, quoted in a Nazi broadcast. The officer, who had been visiting castles in the Loire to find quarters worthy of a senior general, was reported to have said:

"You ask me what French castles are like. I can only answer that they display incredible lack of style. Seen from a distance they are beautiful enough, but a closer view reveals a facade of stucco broken away in patches, disclosing jerry-built brick and timber."

In many cases the noble owners whom he had expected to find had been replaced, he asserted, either by a Jew or by a limited company.

### FIRST AID COURSE

A course of lectures in Chinese in First Aid to the Injured will be commenced by Dr. Lam Shiu-chun at St. John Ambulance Brigade Headquarters, Tai Hang Road, to-day, October 17, at 8 p.m. These lectures will be open to the general public, and are specially recommended to persons wishing to become Members of the Brigade.

The names and addresses of those wishing to attend should be sent in as soon as possible to the General Secretary at Tai Hang Road.

## Nazi Films In Channel Islands Now

INHABITANTS of the Channel Islands are being forced to accept special "occupation marks" from German soldiers.

These marks, which are valueless elsewhere, are quoted at seven to the pound.

In Berlin before the war the rate of exchange was 12 marks to the pound, but travellers could get up to 24 marks for £1 when they visited Germany.

The level of Hitlerism is pressing heavily on the Channel Islands.

The only newspaper available for the population is the "Deutscher Insel-Zeitung" (German Islands News) which is printed in Jersey.

News on the front page is in German.

Beer, soap and coffee are unobtainable and tea is rationed.

The sale of whisky is prohibited, and the very considerable stocks which were on the islands have been confiscated by the German military authorities.

Only German films are being shown in the islands' cinemas.

Most British films were destroyed before the Nazis came.

American films that were on the islands have been taken to Berlin.

The present tomato crops are being sent to occupied France—and paid for in worthless paper marks.

To make the islands as self-supporting as possible more grain and potatoes and fewer tomatoes are to be grown.

### ENGLISH BOOKS ON NAZI INDEX Banned For Czechs

About 20 works of British and American authors are on the Nazi index of books which must not be bought, read or translated by Czechs in Bohemia and Moravia.

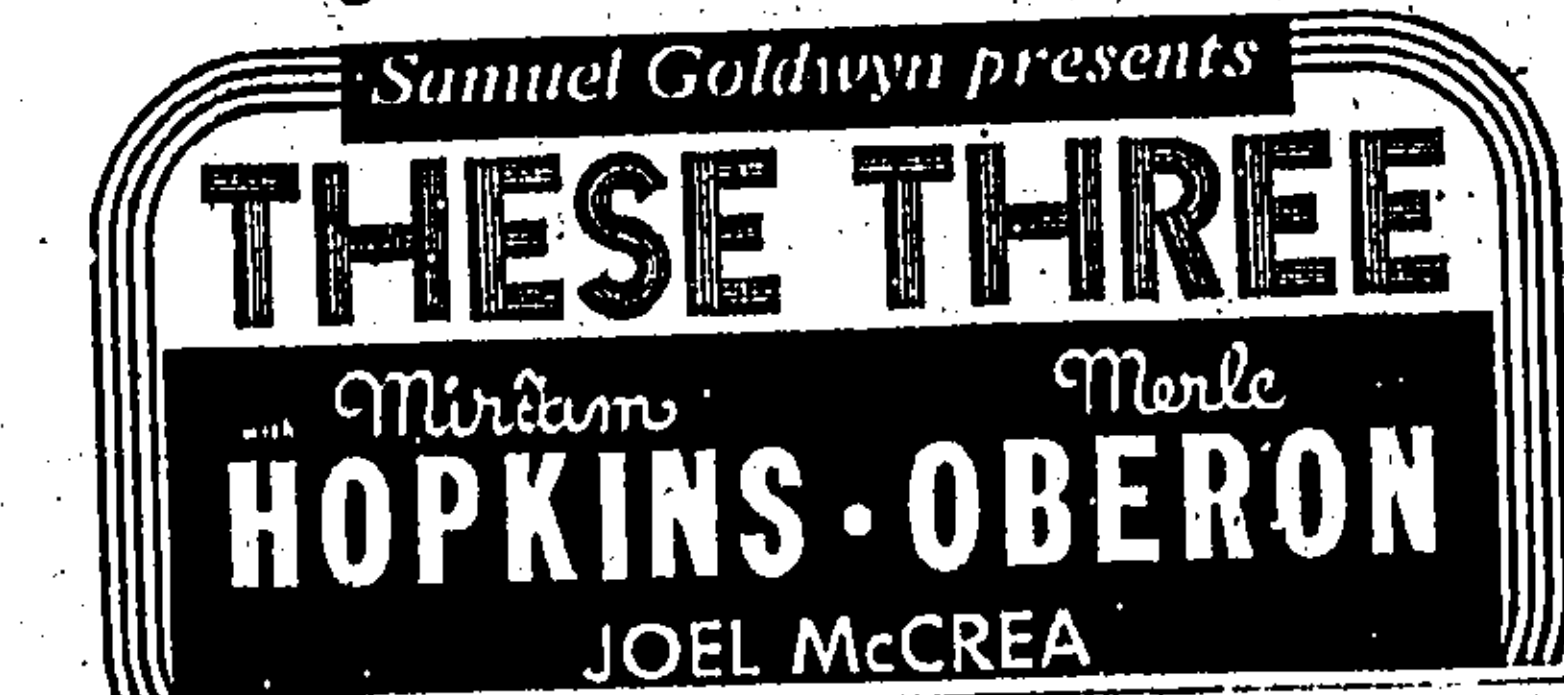
The list, copies of which have reached London, has 270 entries in all, and includes Mr. Aldous Huxley's "Brave New World," Mr. Ward Price's "I Know These Dictators," Mr. Stefan Lorant's "I Was Hitler's Prisoner," Mr. John Gunther's "Inside Europe," and Mr. Sydney Horler's "Lord of Terror."

Books by Mr. Bernard Shaw, Mr. H. G. Wells and Mr. Winston Churchill are not mentioned, although the Nazis have now decided to ban all English and French books which are not classics or scientific works. It is left to the Gestapo to decide what books are classics.

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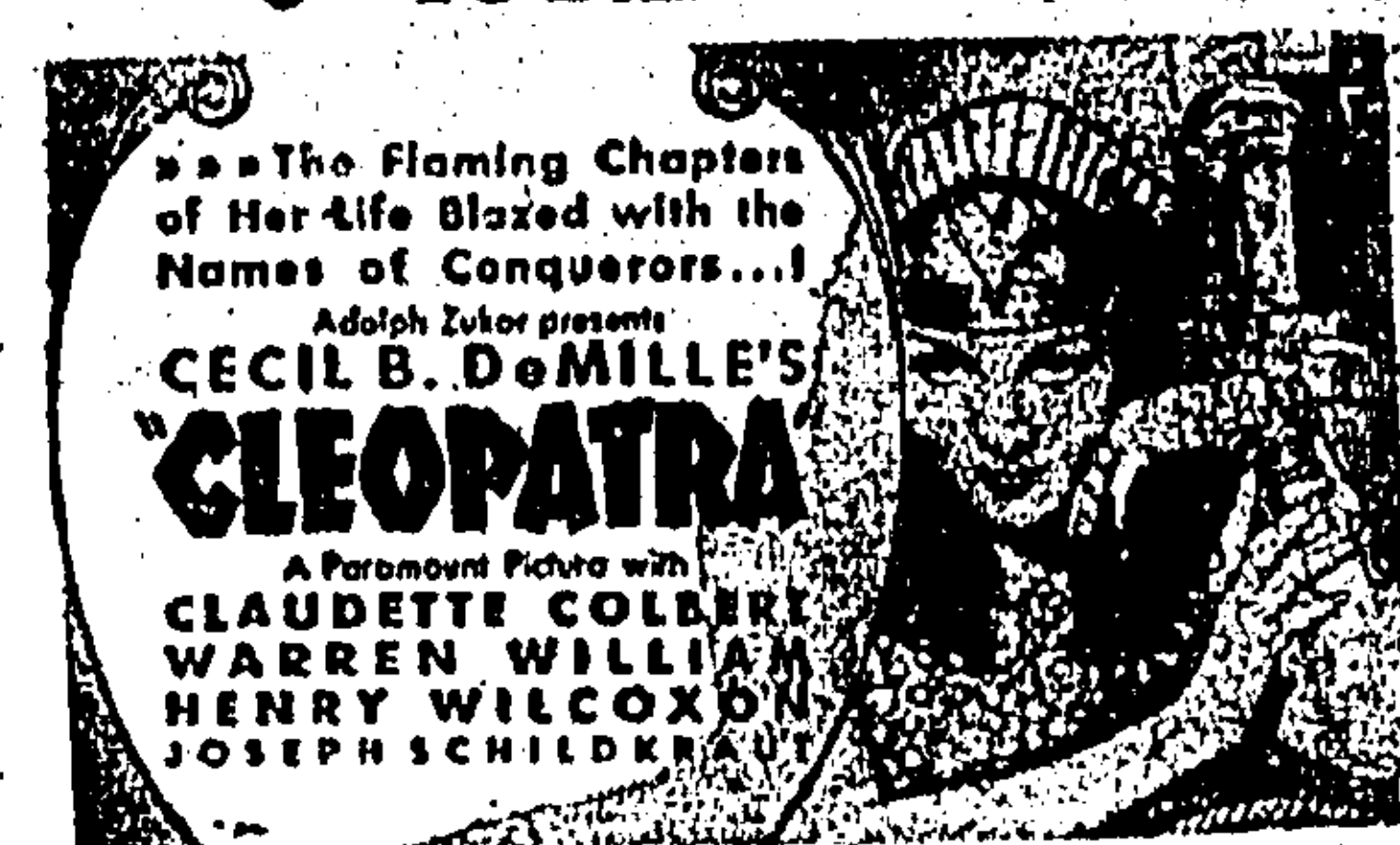
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**WHITEAWAY'S**

# CONVOY OF FIVE NAZI VESSELS WIPED OUT BY BRITISH WARSHIP

**Special to the "Telegraph"**

**MR. CASEY AT WHITE HOUSE**

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16 (UP).—The Australian Minister to Washington was in conference with President Roosevelt today, presumably in connection with the Far East situation and increased co-operation between the United States and Australia.

After the conference Mr. Casey declined to say whether they had discussed the possible use of the Singapore naval base by the United States Navy.

"It is best not to be specific in such matters," he said.

The Australian Minister was also in conference with Mr. Cordell Hall today.

**LONDON, Oct. 16 (UP).—A CONVOY OF THREE GERMAN SUPPLY SHIPS AND TWO ESCORT SHIPS, AND ANOTHER GERMAN VESSEL OF ABOUT 7,000 TONS WERE SUCCESSFULLY ATTACKED AND HIT BY THREE TORPEDOES FROM A BRITISH WARSHIP ACCORDING TO AN ADMIRALTY COMMUNIQUE, WHICH DID NOT DISCLOSE THE LOCATION NOR THE DATE OF THE ATTACKS.**

The Admiralty also announced that the British cruiser Liverpool was damaged by an enemy torpedo carrying aircraft while returning to her base from operations off Sicily. The vessel is now in port and casualties are reported light.

**SIX SHIPS SUNK**

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—A German convoy of three supply ships with two escort vessels accompanying them has been destroyed.

The Admiralty communique giving this news does not locate the scene of action.

# AIR FORCE RAIDS ON ITALIANS

## African Coastal Bases Hit

CAIRO, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—Further harassing of the Italian Army threatening Egypt has been carried out by the R.A.F.

A communique issued to-night describes the continuation of attacks on Ben Ghazi yesterday when a further direct hit was made on the Mole d'Italia and the railway station, and the sidings were laced with incendiary bombs.

Observation of the damage, the communique admits, was difficult.

Barracks and military concentrations at Bardia, Capuzzo and Sollum were bombed successfully, and Derna and Tobruk were also raided.

# Nazi Plane Attacks Goods Train

## Air Raid Casualties

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**

LONDON, Oct. 16 (UP).—The Air Ministry and the Ministry of Home Security in a joint communique states that a number of persons were killed in the air raids on London last night.

A freight train and a gang of plate layers in a west Midlands district were machine-gunned this morning by a German plane which dived down to within 50 feet of the ground. There were no casualties.

**Berlin Story**

BERLIN, Oct. 16 (UP).—Well informed circles said that flames in the region between the Thames loop and the Victoria docks were visible from across the Channel. Although British fighters sought to avoid battle, 32 British pursuit planes were shot down compared to only seven German planes. In addition, anti-aircraft guns brought down five British planes and naval anti-aircraft guns brought down one.

The British air force was "unable to attack military objectives in the TURN to Page 2, Column Four

# NO EXTRA TROOPS

## Soviets Deny Border Concentrations

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**

BUCHAREST, Oct. 16 (UP).—The reports that we have concentrated twelve divisions on the Soviet-Rumanian frontier are entirely unfounded, a high official of the Soviet Legation told the "United Press" today.

"It is true that we have a limited and normal number of frontier guards, but there is no concentration of troops at any point on the Soviet-Rumanian frontier," the official added.

It has also been learned from another Soviet source that several Soviet units have been employed recently on "defensive fortifications."

# Athlones To Visit Roosevelt

QUEBEC, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—Lord and Lady Athlone will spend the week-end as guests of President Roosevelt at Hyde Park, New York.

This was announced from the Citadel, the summer residence of the Canadian Governor-General and his wife when they are away from Ottawa.

# Hospital Hit in New Raid on Chungking

## Special to the "Telegraph"

CHUNGKING, Oct. 16 (UP).—Three Japanese planes raided Chungking at twilight tonight. Detonations were heard at 6.25 p.m.

Two localities of the modern suburbs were bombed but the damage was slight. The air raid alarm was sounded at 5.23 p.m., and the all clear at 7.15 p.m.

The Syracuse Hospital was hit by a bomb and the dining hall was wrecked. One Chinese doctor and six typhoid patients were buried under the debris but all except one patient was dug out later. There were no foreign casualties.

It is officially reported that over a dozen bombs were dropped, injuring two persons and wrecking several houses.

# COLONY'S FINEST PHOTOGRAPHS

## Hundreds have been daily attending the exhibition of prize-winning and other selected photographs in the "Telegraph" photograph contest. The exhibition is in the Morning Post Building and closes this evening.



# Worst Storm Ever Hits Bombay

## Exhibition Attracts 2,000

**BOMBAY, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—The worst storm within living memory struck Bombay in the early hours of this morning.**

At 3 p.m. local time, streets were comparatively deserted and many of the most important streets were closed to traffic.

Dwellings facing the sea were blown flat.

Much wreckage has been washed ashore and it is feared that loss of life in coastal craft is heavy.

The gale has now been blowing for ten hours. A number of trees have been uprooted and hurled across the roads, disturbing traffic.

Falling trees and collapsing walls killed one person and injured about 60.

# Planes Radiate Over Continent

## R.A.F. Bombers Blast Nazis' Vital Points

### —Blenheims Score

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—The effort of eight German fighters to harass British Blenheim bombers of the Coastal Command while they were raiding Flushing and Terneuzen on Tuesday night was unsuccessful.

The Air Ministry news service says that the Messerschmitts were driven off with machine-gun fire or evaded, and bombing was carried out with the utmost effect.

# RAIDS ON GERMANY

## Nazi Attempt To Harass British Planes

### Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, Oct. (UP).—Giving details of last night's raids over Germany the Air Ministry revealed that German fighting planes are now patrolling Dutch coastal waters in an effort to harass the British bombers attacking Flushing and Terneuzen.

"Every effort to harass our bombers was unsuccessful. The Messerschmitts were either driven off by machine gun fire or avoided action. Our bombing was carried out with the utmost effect," the Air Ministry stated.

**Oil Plants Hit**

The communique further stated that other bombers attacked oil plants at Gelsenkirchen, Maderburg and Salzgitter and also hit two oil depots near Kiel.

"A number of industrial targets, munition factories, aircraft factories, and power stations were raided by other aircraft which, owing to bad weather, did not reach their primary objectives. The offensive against the Channel ports and gun emplacements at Cape Gris Nez continued. All our aircraft returned safely," stated the communique.

# U.S. Embargo Against Japan in Operation

## Special to the "Telegraph"

BOSTON, Oct. 16 (UP).—The United States economic embargo against Japan have come into effect.

The Greek steamer Olg Embiricos prepared to sail today with the last cargo of scrap iron allowed to leave the United States for Japan.

The embargo prohibits further shipments.

The sailing of the ship was delayed when 15 sailors demanded their pay, saying that the trip was too long for them. This necessitated securing replacements from New York and Canada.

**Pre-Embargo Orders**

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—American exports to Japan were more than doubled during the month of August with values amounting to \$25,180,000 or \$13,000,000 more than in August, 1939, according to figures issued by the Department of Commerce today.

Exports to Japan in 1940 amounted to \$13,000,000 more than in 1939.

# Hongkong To Lift Ban On Arms To Chungking

## Official Statement

Hongkong is to revert to the position which existed before the Burma Road agreement as far as the movement of arms and other forms of munitions are concerned, it was learned this morning from the Colonial Secretary, Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith.

There are certain restrictions on such exports apart from the Burma Road agreement, but the most important recent regulation was passed shortly after that agreement prohibiting the presence of munitions and other tabulated war material on the frontiers of the Colony without special licence.

"This regulation may or may not be rescinded," said Mr. Smith. "We revert to the old position before we undertook not to send arms and munitions over the frontier. We never stopped gasoline and such things going over the frontier until the Burma Road agreement."

**Japanese Reaction**

Mr. Smith gave this information in explanation of a "Domei" message from Tokyo which says that "Japan reacted sharply to-day to the reported intention of the British Government to lift the embargo on the shipment of arms and ammunition and other supplies to Chungking from Hongkong."

The "Asahi" stated that Mr. Katsuo Okazaki, the Japanese Consul-General in Hongkong, recently drew the attention of the Hongkong authorities to the standpoint of his Government, but was given to understand that the British Government regarded the reopening of the Burma route as signifying also that the Hongkong route would be reopened.

According to the paper, Mr. Okazaki is asking for a reconsideration by the British authorities. "Should Hongkong become a base of supplies for the Chiang Kai-shek regime after October 18, the Japanese Government is expected to adopt effective and appropriate measures as it cannot ignore such a situation," the Asahi stated.

**Consul's Statement**

Questioned over the telephone this morning Mr. Okazaki said the interview was substantially correct though he was acting merely as an intermediary and he understood that a settlement of the issues would be between Tokyo and London.

He said the objection of the Japanese was to the export of arms and munitions from Hongkong to Chinese territory but when asked whether there was objection also to indirect TURN to Page 2, Column Three

# Burma Rd. To Open 12.01 a.m. On Friday

## Special to the "Telegraph"

LASHIO, Oct. 16 (UP).—The Burma Road will officially reopen at 12.01 a.m. Friday, and the British customs office at Lashio will start business at 2 o'clock on Thursday afternoon with the examination of categories of goods which have been forbidden transportation during the past three months.

The reopening ceremony will be quiet one, but officials of the British Customs and the South-west Transportation Administration which have been cordially conferring on technical matters in connection with the reopening of the road, have promised each other cocktail parties as a reward for the excessive work entailed during the present month.

**No Restrictions**

The transportation of arms and munitions is not expected immediately, however. At this moment Chinese are busy reorganizing their army and re-equipping it with new arms and munitions.



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# THAILAND DEMAND

## Press Urging War Declaration

Bangkok, Oct. 16. Vernacular papers advocate armed action against Indo-China, terming the Vichy refusal to consider Thailand's demands a challenge. The Thai press declares the people's patience is merely exhausted and that if nothing can be achieved peacefully then an immediate declaration of war is necessary.

Six thousand tricycles and rickshaws took part in an orderly demonstration yesterday and 5,000 students held a torchlight parade in the evening. Vichy reports declare that the Government has ordered Indo-China to resist any Thailand attempt to violate the boundaries of Laos or Cambodia where the defences have been tightened. The forthcoming visit of Admiral Decoux to Siemreap, Monivong, King of Cambodia, is interpreted as an assurance of French support for the Cambodians in the event of an invasion by Thailand. —United Press.

## Three Ships Stopped

Manila, Oct. 16. The Bangkok Press reported today that Japanese warships had intercepted three steamers of unknown nationality carrying war materials to China and forced them to take refuge in a Thailand port where they are at present reported to be unloading their cargo. American and Thailand officials are sceptical of the reports and declared that official information was not available. —United Press.

## Fewer Refugees In Hongkong

Figures of refugees and destitutes in Government camps here for October 12 supplied by the medical authorities are printed below with figures for October 5 in brackets. King's Park 1,297 (1,301); Maitai-chung 1,500 (1,467); North Point 1,373 (1,369); Morrison Hill 944 (942); Tai Hong Squatters Camp 2,492 (2,492); Ngau Tau Kok Squatters Camp 709 (787); Kwan Tim 2,202 (2,276). For soldiers—Argyle Street 710 (703); in hospital 15 (17). The grand total on October 12 was 10,932, as compared with 10,981 on October 5, showing a decrease of 49.



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## LETTERS

### The Evacuation

To the Editor, The "Hongkong Telegraph."

Sir,—Through the medium of your Correspondence column will you kindly allow me to correct the impression created in yesterday's Press, that my husband, Mr. J. W. Jeffery, is retired and receiving a pension. He is and has been for some considerable time, employed by Admiralty in England, working seven days a week in the defence of our Country. I have been informed that, in the event of my living in any place but British Colony, my allowance from him would be withheld owing to present restrictions.

I beg to refer to a copy of a statement in Saturday's Press re "Permanent Exemption from Evacuation". "Permanent exemption from evacuation may be given to women who have no minor children in the Colony and who are willing to undertake, and are considered by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, to be qualified to undertake work essential to the maintenance and security of the Colony, i.e. A.N.S. or A.R.P. etc."

May I state that I have no minor children and am not only willing to but have already completed a course of A.N.S. lectures, with intentions of qualifying when called upon to do so. I gather that one in my position is not to be permitted the opportunity of proving this.

This unjust refusal of exemption cannot be allowed to pass when others, who not having reached the stage mentioned, have been granted exemption.

It is difficult to acknowledge and respect Government which fails to deal justly in these cases, i.e. granting and refusing exemption in identical cases.

The Committee has, so far, proved to be merely a waste of valuable time and the decisions give the impression that all cases of appeal have been decided before the meeting.

(Mrs.) A. G. JEFFERY.

## H.K. To Lift Ban On Arms To Chungking

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export to Chungking he said "he was not quite clear about that." "Domest" says in articles prominently displayed on the front page all Japanese newspapers indicated that the Japanese Government will adopt strong measures for dealing with the reopening of the Hongkong route which Japanese authorities regard as unilateral abrogation by the British of the Anglo-Japanese agreement of July 17.

One newspaper said that according to the Japanese Government's interpretation of the agreement which resulted in the three-month closure of the Burma route, the British Government has agreed to close the Hongkong route indefinitely, it having further been pointed out by the British Government that shipments of arms and munitions to China from Hongkong have stopped since January, 1939.

The three-month limit contained in the agreement referred to the Burma route alone and not to the Hongkong route, according to Japanese authorities. The "Wichitichi Shinbun" said that the Japanese Government is determined to take a strong stand regarding the reopening of the Burma and Hongkong routes in view of its firm determination to terminate the China conflict which has been strengthened by the conclusion of the tripartite pact by which Japan's policy to curb assistance to China by third-party Powers has been strengthened.

Trucks Waiting RANGOON, Oct. 17 (Reuter).—Hundreds of high-powered trucks are waiting ready to start along the Burma Road when the ban on the transport of arms into China is lifted (to-day), according to reports received from Lashio, near the Burma-China border.

Transport workers are employed day and night loading the lorries. The rain having abated, the Road is now in good condition. Moonlight will help the trucks to maintain a good speed along the 700-mile highway to Kunning.

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of the Burma Road will start on Friday. It was categorically denied that the trucks will only be permitted to carry 100 gallons of gasoline for their own use and it was added that aeroplanes and munitions would be released to China on Saturday.

It is also reported that there are 100,000 tons of goods at Lashio and at least 500,000 tons at Rangoon consigned to China and awaiting immediate transportation.

Transportation capacity, however, is only 300 tons daily from Lashio to China and 450 tons from Rangoon to Lashio.

## Nothing Spectacular

CHUNGKING, Oct. 17 (Reuter).—While the Chinese authorities are attaching the greatest importance to the re-opening of the Burma Road on Friday, nothing spectacular in the form of official ceremonies or a mad dash of trucks over the highway is expected on that day.

Reports that 2,000 to 3,000 trucks will cross the border on Friday are probably imaginary since there is no need for the Chinese to rush transportation and supplies into or out of China now that the road is to be re-opened.

## No Concentrations

In fact, the Chinese authorities will carefully avoid having any large concentration of trucks at any point in order to escape bombing. The authorities are mainly interested in having the trucks move steadily into and out of China and not in trying to achieve this by one mad dash as some reports appear to indicate.

## R.A.F. Bombers Blast Nazis' Vital Points

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jetty were repeatedly straddled and a line of heavy bombs burst along the western border of the Germania shipyard.

One salvo started a huge oil fire, having apparently struck fuel stores and trucks. Besides bombing oil refineries and store plants at Hamburg, Schwerin and Gelsenkirchen, the R.A.F. also bombed Hamburg and Duisburg docks and attacked targets at Grevenbroich, Cologne, Schöneberg, Schönbek, Neuhausen and Düsseldorf.

## Lands In Lapid

STOCKHOLM, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—A British plane landed near Guelivare, Northern Lapland, this morning after being fired at by Swedish A.A. guns.

A communiqué from the Swedish General Staff announcing this says that the plane and crew of two have been interned.

## Navy Adds Guns

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—Fires were seen and, it is considered, considerable damage was done when naval units bombarded Dunkirk last night, states an Admiralty communiqué.

## Greek Specialists

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—Greece has called a number of engineers and communication specialists to the aid.

## 38 Years Service With Hongkong Cricket Club

Many cricketers will learn with regret of the death on Wednesday of Pan Loon, the No. 1 Groundsman of the Hongkong Cricket Club for a number of years. 38 years old, he joined the Club staff in 1902 and had thus completed 38 years' service. A wily bowler of no mean ability, he was also a useful tennis player.

## Canon McCormick Passes On

### Vicar of Noled Church In London

LONDON, Oct. 16. The death has occurred of Canon "Pat" McCormick, Vicar of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, Reuter. William Patrick Clyn McCormick, a native-born vicar, was born at Hull in 1877, the son of Canon J. McCormick, and educated at Llandaff Cathedral School, Exeter School and St. John's College, Cambridge. A Llandaff he was a solo choir-boy and, like his father, was a famous Cambridge athlete, played most ball games well, particularly rugby. Taking holy orders, he spent a year as a master at the Rose Hill School, Tisbury, and then in 1909 accepted a curacy at All Saints, Shooters Hill.

Two years later in the closing days of the South African war he went to the Transvaal as acting chaplain to the forces, and in 1903 became vicar of St. Patrick's, Cleveland, then an undeveloped gold-mining parish. In the seven years he spent there he had a church and vicarage built and took part in all the games played by his parishioners, standing up to them especially well in football. He played for the Blackheath team. From 1910 to 1914 McCormick was rector of St. John's, Belgrave, Johannesburg, but, being in England on holiday when the war began, he joined the forces as chaplain. By August, 1914, he was with the army in France. There his gentility and practical sympathy gained for him the respect and admiration of the fighting men and his courage won him the D.S.O. and four mentions in despatches.

In 1919 McCormick became vicar of Crofton and in 1923 was also made an hon. canon of Canterbury. He relinquished both offices in 1927 to succeed "Dick" Sheppard, who had done splendid work among the had-downed gold-miners of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, London. Thence his sermons and addresses were frequently broadcast.

## Nazi Plane Attacks Goods Train

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Reich during the day time. Bombs were dropped in western and central Germany killing and wounding some civilians and damaging some houses.

## Daylight Relief

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—There has hardly been any enemy activity over this country to-day yet states a communiqué.

Bombs were reported only in one coast town in Scotland and at one point in the West country. No damage or casualties are reported.

While full particulars are not yet available, it seems clear that despite widespread and quite wanton bombing of civilians in London on Tuesday night, though larger than in recent raids, is considered less than in earlier raids of last month.

This morning an enemy float plane was shot down by Coastal Command fighters.

## Planes Over London

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" LONDON, Oct. 16, (7.50 p.m.) (UP).—The drone of planes is loud over London as raiders are skirting the city under the cover of clouds. At 7.40 p.m. bombs were heard screaming and crashing in the London area.

At 7.20 p.m. guns were heard firing into the clouds a moment after the raid started a few minutes earlier than usual.

German planes are also reported over two southern towns.

## Troop Train Hit, Say Nazis

BERLIN, Oct. 16 (UP).—Informed quarters here to-day claimed that over 300 British troops were probably killed and wounded when a German dive bomber allegedly scored a direct hit on a troop train near Liverpool this morning.

The same sources claimed that a Junkers 88 returning from a raid on a British aerodrome dived on a troop train steaming westward and scored a direct hit on the locomotive.

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—In a two-hour tour of London and both sides of the Thames to-day, "Reuter's" special correspondent found industrial and private life throbbing as strongly as ever.

German bombers which raided the capital last night had succeeded in laying low a bit more of the sprawling city and its suburbs, but the damage was nothing like what the Germans have been boasting about. Traffic was running as usual and trains were running normally. There was no interference with the morning business trains.

## TRADE IN AMERICAS Lord Willingdon Leaves On Mission

London, Oct. 16.

"Our mission is to strengthen and confirm the good relations which have been for so long happily established between the great free countries of South America and the British Empire," declared Lord Willingdon before his departure to South America to-day as head of the British Trade Mission.

"The United States—that good neighbour of the South American countries—has given full approval to the mission," he continued. "We are sending this important delegation because we have confidence in the result of this struggle for freedom between the British Empire and Germany."

"We hope to encourage close trade relations between us and each country in South America. We will visit every country there and find out their difficulties."

Lord Willingdon emphasised that the mission was one of investigation and not of negotiation. "We shall be away four months, perhaps more," he said.

It is pointed out that it is a clear refutation of German victory claims that Britain is sending this mission to South America. Germany had promised to supply goods to South America on October 1—on the victorious conclusion of the war. This date has passed and Britain is sending a mission—not the Germans.

—Reuter.

## Nazi Raiders Carries Pocket Dictionaries

IN a little over two weeks 550 Nazi airmen have been captured after being shot down in raids over Britain and are now in internment camps.

Most of them carried German-English dictionaries in their pockets.

A further 1,000 enemy airmen have been killed in action and in crashes over Britain in the same period.

As far as is known, none of the 550 Nazi airmen captured in the two weeks was among the 400 prisoners released in France, but one German pilot captured last week was shot by an R.A.F. Hurricane fighter over

France soon after May 10. He hid for five days and made his way back to Germany.

This time a Spitfire shot him down. An R.A.F. officer who has questioned some of the captured Nazi airmen said that they all have a set formula of reply.

It is: "I am a German airman and the only questions you must ask me are my regiment number, my rank, and my name."

## Belgium's Idle Workers

INFORMATION has reached London that there are now about 750,000 unemployed in Belgium.

The number is expected to increase to 1,000,000 during the next few weeks as more refugees return and more soldiers are demobilised.

Belgium has a population of 8,250,000, and before the war had only just over 1,500,000 workers. Answered alone, with a population of 350,000, has now 100,000 unemployed.

This large number is the result of the enormous damage done to the town and docks by the Belgian troops before they evacuated the area and by continuous R.A.F. raids.

The "Frankfurter Zeitung" says that it has not yet been possible to assess the damage done in Belgium by the rearing troops and the Air Force.

## Brigadier Pumps While Private Plays Organ

LONDON, Aug. 26.

A village organist in Northumberland fell ill, so the vicar appealed to the Brigadier commanding local troops.

The Brigadier took along a young private for a practice the day before the service. He turned out to be an accomplished musician. And the Brigadier pumped the organ.

## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

ACROSS

1—Part of face

2—Animal

3—The fighter

4—Come into view

5—Present

6—Pig-pen

7—Unaffected by

8—Day further

9—Vase

10—Roses

11—African javelin

12—English admiral of Elizabeth's day

13—Russian coin

14—Take wing

15—Giant

16—Anthropoid animal

17—Purchaser

18—Concealing

19—Combining form: air

20—Famous about way

21—Pertaining to animals

22—Intoxicated

23—Direct care

24—Quelling sword

25—Direction

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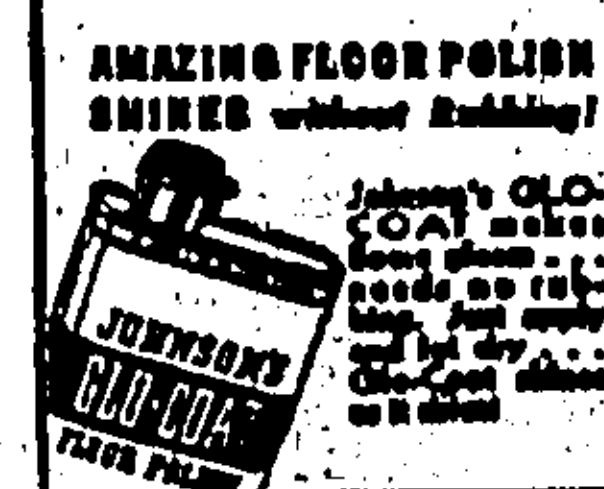


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## BEATEN AND DISCREDITED

THE British Navy has struck another blow; not decisive, perhaps, from the strictly material point of view, but highly important in its moral effect upon the enemy. This war has already proved one thing; that whenever British naval units are given a chance of closing with the enemy, they are superior in every phase of fighting.

To H.M.S. Ajax, that bold, daring, courageous man-o-war once again goes the honours of a fight well fought and a victory well deserved. It was the Ajax who played such an important part in the defeat of Germany's "unbeatable" pocket battleship Admiral Graf Spee off Montevideo in December last; it was the Ajax which this week sent two Italian destroyers to the bottom of the Mediterranean and crippled another so badly that her final destruction was merely a matter of hours. This is a proud enough record for any warship after twelve months of war and few opportunities of coming to grips with the opposition.

Apart from the achievement of the Ajax, the most significant feature about this latest Mediterranean naval action was the gross exaggeration of the Italian claims. Clearly hoping to trap the British Commander-in-Chief into making a hurried statement on the action before precise and accurate information was available, the Italian propaganda department blared out to the world the "news" of a "great naval victory". For 36 hours the British Admiralty remained silent, but it was not the silence of the damned, but the proper caution of those who appreciate that the truth, even if it cannot be revealed until sometime after the lies have been told, is still the best guarantee of winning public confidence, both at home and abroad. The British Admiralty relied on the official report of the Commander-in-Chief, not the wild imaginations of a propaganda office, and the truth of that naval engagement is now known. The result is not only a triumph for our navy, but a vindication of the policy of basing official reports on indisputable evidence, in preference to wishful thinking and extravagant imaginings.

A double blow has been struck at Italy; her ships have been defeated and her propaganda discredited.

# BRITAIN'S WOMEN

## —THEY DEFY DANGER

The first member of the British women's forces has just been decorated by King George VI. She is Miss Daphne Pearson, an officer in the Women's Auxiliary Air Force. She was awarded the Medal of the Order of the British Empire for her bravery in extricating a pilot from his crashed aircraft. Having pulled him from the plane, she threw herself over him to protect him from the explosion of a 120lb bomb.

Such an act thrills the imagination with its spectacular courage. Miss Pearson dismisses it as a spontaneous impulse... over before she had time to think. She says the really brave women are those members of Britain's Civil Defence who go calmly out on duty every time the sirens blow an air raid warning.

These women know the risks they run. They are abundantly illustrated to them throughout the highly specialised training they undergo to enable them to reduce these risks for other people.

Upon their courage and unwavering devotion to duty the safety of the civil population of Britain depends. Every day and night in every part of the country they wait ready for instant service. They would deride the suggestion that they were heroines and deprecate the fact that they are brave.

Here and there a spectacular story of this bravery emerges to stir the imagination and warm the heart. Mostly their part in this great war drama passes unnoticed in the surge of quick moving events. Or becomes engulfed in the monotony of routine work.

There is nothing, for instance, particularly thrilling or demanding much in the way of gallantry, in standing by a waiting ambulance. It must be cleaned—kept in "perfect running order. Long hours must pass in which the driver has nothing more dramatic with which to pass the time than knitting, sewing or reading. Then, without warning, there is an instant in which the world about her shakes and crumbles with the roar of an exploding bomb.

First-aid training has equipped her to deal with casualties. She knows every house as well as every road in her district well enough to circumvent craters or debris however dark or foggy it may be.

Her mind can instantly work out an alternative route should roads be blocked so that her cases can be got to hospital with the least delay.

Officially the raid should be over before she starts up her ambulance for the scene of the damage. It frequently is—and another one started. En route there is little to protect her from flying shrapnel, splinters or machine gun bullets.

Fifty thousand women drive ambulances in Britain to-day. They do not think of these things as risks. Merely as incidents which might be encountered in the execution of the job! When war broke out a schoolmistress in a large West of England town thought she could help the Fire Service by doing office work during the evenings. For months she answered the telephone and typed messages. A few nights ago her prosaic job flamed to the stuff of which glory is made.

She was alone on duty. High explosive bombs began to fall on her district. She heard the explosions growing rapidly nearer. Knowing that her post was adjoining one of the targets, she calmly phoned for ambulances and demolition squads as it became evident these would be necessary. Her only complaint was that the blast made it difficult to keep her seat with one hand on the

steering wheel and the other clutching her papers! When women were first invited to volunteer for duty as Air Raid Wardens, there was considerable criticism from certain sections of the public. Many people felt that it was "A man's job". To-day they are thankful it is a woman's too.

Eighty thousand women wardens in various parts of Great Britain have proved their gallantry and usefulness in action in a manner which has made a profound impression. Actual experience of raids has given many instances in which a woman's warm-hearted sympathy and understanding in difficult situations have been invaluable.

When buildings are demolished a man's strength is necessary to extricate the casualties. It isn't as useful in calming distracted relatives who must wait patiently while their loved ones are released. Or in that more painful duty, consoling those whose relatives have been maimed or killed.

Hysteria seldom occurs. When it does a man can deal easily with it. A woman's tact as easily prevents it happening. This is one of the reasons why women wardens are in such demand for duty in shelters during air raids. If one child should start crying its distress would soon be taken up by others. So the wardens organise games, singing and competitions. One south coast town has a woman warden who tells children's stories so well that she has to be lent from one district to another. Wardens in another town have formed a concert party to amuse their charges as they wait for the "All Clear."

That impulse which makes every woman rush to help those in distress cannot be better served than by this hazardous duty called into being by the barbarism of modern warfare. It has been found that in action women act instantaneously—without the slightest regard of risk to their own safety.

"Divinely foolhardy" was a man warden's comment on a woman colleague's recent exploit. It happened during the bombing of Plymouth.

The warden was on patrol when gunfire broke out overhead and a bomb fell wrecking an adjacent block of houses. She should have taken shelter until the raid had passed. Instead, she picked herself up from the ground to which she had been thrown by blast and was in the bombed house extricating the inhabitants before the dust from debris had subsided.

No less inspiring was the action of a Nottingham woman. Incendiary bombs had fired a group of houses in her district. She set to work to procure a pump, water and all possible assistance. No sooner was work started on the fire than high explosive bombs began coming down. These did not perturb her. From the top of her ladder she continued to spray her neighbour's blazing roof as calmly as though she were watering the garden.

One could multiply these stories many times. They make a saga in this horrible warfare that it will be good to remember out of so much the world will want to forget.

There are stories of the bravery of civilians, too. Like the one of two old ladies in a Southern town. They were bombed literally out of bed, being thrown from one side of the room to the other when a bomb cut off the entire front of their house. As one had a weak heart a doctor lost no time in going to see how they were. He found them at two in the morning, serving teas as calmly as if it had been four in the afternoon, to the family next door, who had also called to see how they were progressing.

This determination to take what comes without allowing it to disturb the serene pattern of living is evident all over Britain. Men, women and children busy themselves in the matter of fact fashion of their everyday lives in a world that at any moment may come toppling about their ears. When it does it can't be helped. But why worry? Is there attitude toward it all? Danger and adventure have always been the salt of the Britisher's existence. The patriotism and courage of their ancestors is world history. "Everyone in Great Britain to-day is ready to deal the same way with history in the making." Particularly the women.

## FUNNY SIDE UP By Abner Dean



"Sure, I know our time is up to-day... but there's no fun in just walking out the front gate!"

## P.I. are having an Election

MANILA, Oct. 12 (UP).—The next elections for local officials—provincial governors, town mayors, etc.—will be held in December, and Manuel Luis Quezon's omnipotent Nacionalista party is now confronted by fights within itself. Party leaders are busy ironing out disputes to avoid possible dangerous splits.

While it confronts no real opposition on a national scale, of a strong Nacionalista bloc put a candidate against Sena.

The race for the Pangasinan's governorship promises to be one of the most interesting in the province's history. Cipriano Primicias, former member of the defunct House of Representatives, has been nominated by a convention of delegates from his faction.

Another Nacionalista, Dr. Santiago Estrada, was previously nominated by a convention of town mayors and councillors as official candidate and has the backing of majority of the province's national assemblymen. Primicias was reported determined to go ahead with the fight despite his opponent's apparently stronger following.

The gubernatorial race in Camarines Norte is attracting wide attention in view of the fact that an opposition party, Young Philippines, has put up a candidate, Wenceslao Q. Vinzon, young attorney and president of the party. Vinzon is running against incumbent Governor Miguel Lukban, Nacionalista leader predicted that Lukban would be re-elected despite Vinzon's reported growing strength.

The standing committee of the Nacionalista party has proclaimed only two official candidates for governor, namely, Eduardo Cojuangco for Tarlac and Under Secretary of Labour Vicente de la Cruz for Leyte.

Members of the committee believe the December elections, although only for local officials, will reflect the people's attitude toward the Quezon administration.

Aside from being careful in deciding inter-faction disputes, the committee is carefully selecting candidates in each province in order to maintain not only party solidarity but also party prestige.

One of the two Nacionalista factions in Occidental Negros is led by Speaker Yulo himself; the other is headed by Secretary of Interior Rafael Alunan and Assemblymen Pedro Hernandez. Both factions have a candidate for governor.

A convention has been scheduled for Occidental Negros, but the Alunan faction wants the province declared a free zone, contending that the Yulo faction's candidate would surely be nominated in a convention.

Representative of the Alunan faction have asked National Assembly Floor Leader Quintin Paredes, acting president of the party in Yulo's absence, that Occidental Negros be declared a free zone and indicated they would take the matter to Quezon himself if their request should be denied.

In Tayabas, home province of Quezon, Governor Casiano Sandoval has suddenly withdrawn from the gubernatorial race in favour of Gregorio Sena, a provincial board member.

It was reported Sandoval withdrew because Quezon had a "lukewarm" attitude toward his aspiration for re-election. It was understood Tayabas may be declared a free zone because

## Monarchists Busy

THE French monarchists are getting busy again. One of them, the Comte de Lusignan, has reached London, where he is putting out propaganda for the restoration of the French monarchy.

He claims that the stock of the pretender Comte de Paris, who has now returned to France from Brazil, has risen considerably and he hopes that just as the debacle of 1870 overthrew the Empire and produced a Republic, so the present catastrophe may overthrow the Republic and produce a Monarchy.

## Ancient Kings

The Comte de Lusignan has royal blood in his own veins. His ancestor was made King of Cyprus at the time of the Crusade, and his family reigned there for a considerable time. The Lusignan arms can still be seen on churches in Cyprus and elsewhere in the Near East.



## Russo-Japanese Pact Not Very Likely Yet

TOKYO, Oct. 17 (Reuter).—Reports of a pending Japanese-Soviet Non-Aggression Pact are not supported by anything more tangible than speculation on the military advantages which would be derived from it in view of increasing United States firmness and rumours of Anglo-American overtures toward Russia.

Government officials have frequently queried about the possibilities of a Non-Aggression Pact, but they are still adhering to expressions of hope for a fundamental adjustment of relations after the arrival of General Tatekawa in Moscow when talks may possibly be attempted from a fresh start.

The stand was reiterated by the new Japanese Ambassador to Russia in Helsingfors when he said he was starting with a clean slate and, therefore, it was unnecessary to consult Mr. Togo, the present Ambassador to Russia, previously.

However, the possibility is not excluded of Axis manoeuvres behind the scenes in Moscow to pave the way for a modified Non-Aggression treaty after the arrival of General Tatekawa. But it is unlikely that anything more than paving the way will be done at present.

At the same time, public sentiment here are still deeply against the Comintern. For this reason, extreme indignation towards Russia is most unlikely.

Although a section of the Japanese Press has been making much of M. Molotov's hint toward Japan, it is apparently expected that Russia will make concessions to this country rather than vice versa.

It is noteworthy that the only issue settled on a crowded agenda of problems at present is the boundary line between the Fisheries Pact, the yearly bone of contention between the two countries, has less than three months to remain in effect before the expiration of the deadline.

## GERMAN PLANES OVER SWEDEN

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—A Swedish communiqué stated that a German seaplane which flew over Swedish waters off the coast of Southern Scandinavia was driven off by the air defences.

On Tuesday several flights over Swedish territory were made by foreign planes.

German planes were seen off the coast of Sweden and Bohuslan, where a British plane flew over Swedish territory.

## FAMED NEWSMAN IN HONGKONG

Mr. Hallett Abend, Far Eastern representative of the New York Times, was among the passengers who arrived at Hongkong to-day by the President Garfield from Shanghai.

The well known American journalist is on his way to Singapore and Bangkok from where he will make a trip over the Burma Road to Chungking.

## YUGO-SLAVIA To Protect Navigation In Danube

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—A Committee, on which the Commander-in-Chief of the Yugo-Slav forces will be represented, are to take necessary measures to protect navigation on the Yugo-Slav section of the Danube, states the Belgrade radio.

The measures are authorised by a decree just passed by the Council of Ministers.

## STOCK EXCHANGE ARGENTINE RAILS MOVE HIGHER WITH BONDS

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange to-day was firm despite the quietness of trading.

Glittered stocks again advanced under the lead of War Loans. Industrials were narrowly irregular but gains appeared to outnumber losses.

Following the recent strength of Argentine bonds, Argentine rails improved while gold-minings were occasionally brighter shortly before the close of business.

Wall Street was higher.

## FREE FRENCH BODIES STARTED IN SOUTH AMERICA

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—Brazil, Argentine, Uruguay, Chile and Mexico have established National Committees acting in close co-operation with the Free French Forces, stated Mr. R. A. Butler, in reply to a question in the House of Commons to-day.

Mr. Butler added that Committees were also formed in the United States, Egypt, Canada, Australia, South Africa and Mauritius. Representatives of General Charles de Gaulle were engaged in setting up National Committees in a number of other countries.

The British Government were rendering all assistance.

**Trade With Britain**  
LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—Britain is bringing trade to the French colonies that have joined General Charles de Gaulle.

From the French Cameroons, Britain is buying more than one third of the total cocoa crop, more than half the coffee crop and large quantities of agricultural produce and timber.

The condition of purchase is that merchants selling these stocks must take equivalent purchases from the producers.

Britain has also undertaken to buy the whole of the Cameroons' 1940-41 cocoa crop and will also buy the existing stocks of Chad cotton and is arranging to buy the next crop.

Certain necessary supplies are being imported with British help.

## Switzerland Granted Navicerts

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—The British Government have agreed to grant navicerts and export licences to enable Switzerland to maintain a two-months' stock of war materials.

The British Government will also grant navicerts and export licences for any goods which cannot benefit the enemy.

The right is reserved to revise the decisions at any time.

## Roosevelts Conscripted For Army

NEW YORK, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—Throughout the country to-day, Young America registered at the rate of over 1,000,000 an hour for possible service with the United States' first peace-time draft for the army.

Park Avenue millionaires joined Boverly tramps in New York as men between the ages of 21 and 35 queued up to obey the conscription law.

Two of President Roosevelt's sons, John and Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., signed on.

## Indian Civil Campaign Starting To-Day

WARDHA, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—The individual civil disobedience campaign decided on by Congress will be inaugurated on Thursday, it is understood.

Gandhi is understood to be instituting to the District Magistrate at Nagpur that Vinoba—a humble member of the Mahatma's Ashram (seminary)—will open the campaign with an anti-war speech to-morrow morning at the village of Paunar, seven miles from Nagpur.

**Punjab Prays**  
LAHORE, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—All branches of the Modern League throughout the Punjab have been instructed to observe November 1 as a special day of prayer for the safety, integrity and independence of Islamic countries.

## Cammel Laird Head Killed In Nazi Raid

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—Mr. W. L. Hichens, Chairman of the great shipping firm, Messrs. Cammel Laird, Director of the London Midland Scottish Railway, and other large industrial concerns, and a member of the Carnegie New York Trust, has been killed in a London air raid. He was aged 66.

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—The British power-operated turret used in R.A.F. machine may be made available to the United States under the British-American standardisation scheme.

## THAILAND TO WAIT Tension With Indo-China A Little Easier

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
BANGKOK, Oct. 16 (UP).—It is reliably reported that the Council of Ministers has decided to continue negotiations with the French Minister at Bangkok, pending the arrival of a French commission from Indo-China, probably on October 25.

It is understood that the police have asked the populace to stop all demonstrations.

A high naval official who returned from the Sattaleeb naval base four days ago said there were no American vessels there at that time.

He stated that the Navy Ministry had not advised any American vessels carrying war material to China to take refuge there.

## French Hold British Ship At Beirut

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NEW YORK, Oct. 16 (UP).—A report intercepted from the German wireless stated that 37 members of the crew of the British freighter "Lebanon" of 2,270 tons have arrived at Beirut from Beirut where the ship has been interned. The crew was temporarily detained by the French when the ship was found to be loaded with propaganda for smuggling into Syria.

## Exchange At A Glance

SELLING  
T.T. London ..... 1/2 3/4  
Demand London ..... 1/2 3/4  
T.T. Shanghai ..... 3/80  
T.T. Singapore ..... 5/24  
T.T. Japan ..... 1/103  
T.T. India ..... 82 1/2  
T.T. U.S.A. .... 22 1/2  
T.T. Manila ..... 45 1/2  
T.T. Batavia ..... 42 1/2  
T.T. Bangkok ..... 48 1/2  
T.T. Saigon ..... 98 1/2  
T.T. France ..... Nom.  
T.T. Switzerland ..... 96 1/2  
T.T. Australia ..... 1/8 1/4  
BUYING  
4 m/s L/C London ..... 1/2 3/4  
4 m/s D/P London ..... 1/2 3/4  
4 m/s L/C U.S.A. .... 22 1/2  
4 m/s France ..... Nom.  
30 d/s India ..... 84 1/2  
U.S. Cross rate in London 4.02 1/2  
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y. .... 4.03 1/2

## British-Rumanian Trade Ceases

BRITONS LEAVING  
LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—The British Government had ceased to maintain normal trade relations with Rumania since it became apparent that Rumania was coming increasingly under German domination, stated Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in reply to a question to-day in the House of Commons.

**70 Britons Leave**  
BUCHAREST, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—A further 70 members of the British colony in Rumania are leaving Constantza for Istanbul on Thursday.

**Special Oil Measures**  
BUCHAREST, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—Coinciding with heavier German demands for oil and despatch of war materials in return, 65 passenger trains, many of which run on important main lines, are to be suspended from midnight to-night until the end of the month.

The official reason for this measure is to make way for transporting supplies for internal needs which have been long delayed owing to military requisitions.

The staff of the German Naval Mission have arrived.

## DIAMOND EXPERTS ARE BUSY —Refugees

By A Correspondent  
In a south-western London suburb is a colony of modern Huguenots—Dutch and Belgian refugee diamond-cutters who are going to teach British craftsmen the secrets of their trade.

They came over, some in British warships, others in small fishing boats, and with only the tools of their trade with them, when Germany occupied the Low Countries.

The Government is to build a factory which will employ more than 100 of them. Eight factories, employing 100 men, are already in operation under the Government scheme to develop this important export industry.

**From Amsterdam**  
The disappearance of Amsterdam and other Continental diamond-cutting centres from the competitive market gives British export trade an opportunity to cater for the increased demand in America for finished precious stones.

In this country, too, the demand has been stimulated. A Hatton Garden diamond merchant told me that many wealthy people are buying diamonds because they are regarded as a safe form of security.

The refugees are all specialists in their trade and are all very eager to give the benefit of their unrivalled knowledge to British workers. I found that the majority of them speak English quite well and feel at home already.

"Our trade is an international one," I was told by one of them, "and that makes us very cosmopolitan in outlook. Some of us speak three or four European languages."

## Australia Can't Agree On Coalition Cabinet

CANBERRA, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—The meeting of Party managers summoned by Mr. R. G. Menzies, the Australian Prime Minister, to discuss methods of forming a stable government following the election impasse, adjourned to-night without having reached any decision.

They will re-meet on Monday. Mr. Menzies has issued a statement that the talks were purely exploratory.

"Reuter" learns authoritatively that the Party Managers' Conference will on Monday receive a reply from Mr. John Curtin, Leader of the Labour Party, that Government should indicate the points of Labour policy it would be prepared to adopt if some form of co-operation through a National Government or a National War Cabinet should be found acceptable to the Opposition.

## Eden In Egypt

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—Mr. Anthony Eden, Secretary for War, has arrived in Egypt.

It is understood here that Mr. Eden will have "conversations" with General Sir Archibald Wavell, C-in-C, Middle East, and will also visit contingents of British Allied troops in the Middle East.

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Indo-China S. ..... 100 n.  
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Shell (Bearers) s/- ..... 35/7 1/2 n.  
Waterboats ..... 6.90 n.

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Providents ..... 4.40 b.  
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**MINING**  
Kallian s/- ..... 14/- n.  
Raults ..... 9 1/2 n.  
H.K. Mines ..... 1 1/4 cts. n.

**LANDS**  
Hotels ..... 3 1/2/30 ss.  
Lands ..... 30 1/2 ss.  
Lands 4% Debentures ..... 100 n.  
S'hai Lands Sh. ..... 10 n.  
Humphreys ..... 7.10 n.  
H.K. Realties ..... 3.40 b.  
Chinese Estates ..... 103 n.

**UTILITIES**  
Trams ..... 15 1/2 n.  
Peak Trams (old) ..... 7.40 n.  
Peak Trams (new) ..... 370 n.  
S'hai Trams ..... 5.9 1/2 n.  
Y. Ferries ..... 22 1/2 n.  
China Lights (old) ..... 6 1/2 n.  
China Lights (new) ..... 6 1/2 n.  
H.K. Electric (old) ..... 36 1/2 n.  
H.K. Electric (new) ..... 35.90 b.  
Macao Electric (old) ..... 17 n.  
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S'hai Electric ..... 11 n.  
Telephones (old) ..... 23 1/2 n.  
Telephones (new) ..... 9.30 b.

**INDUSTRIALS**  
Cald. Macg. (Ord.) Sh. ..... 14.90 n.  
Cald. Macg. (Pref.) Sh. ..... 12 n.  
Canton Ind. ..... 1 n.  
Cement s. ..... 15 1/2 b.  
H.K. Ropes ..... 5.80 b.

**STORES, &c.**  
Dairy Farms ..... 17 b.  
Watsons ..... 8 1/2 b.  
Lane Crawford ..... 7.45 n.  
Sincere s. (H.K.) ..... 2.15 n.  
Wing On ..... 39 n.  
Powell Ltd. s. ..... 1 n.

**COTTON MILLS**  
Ewo Sh. ..... 35 n.  
S'hai Cotton ..... 181 n.

**MISC.**  
H.K. Govt. 4% ..... 99 n.  
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% (1934) ..... 95 n.  
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% (1940) ..... 95 n.  
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 G3Bds.35% ..... 6.50 n.  
H.K. Entertainments ..... 6.50 n.  
Constructions (old) ..... 1.00 n.  
Constructions (new) ..... 1 n.  
Vibro Piling ..... 8 s.  
Marxmans Inv. (Lon.) s/- ..... 7/6 n.  
Marxmans Inv. (H.K.) s/- ..... 2/6 n.

## Spaniards Must Eat Luxury Grapes Daily

MADRID, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—Hotels and restaurants in Spain are to serve grapes as a dessert for at least one meal daily.

A decree to this effect is issued by Senor Serrano Sumer, Minister of the Interior.

It is hoped to dispose of some of the production of Almeria grapes, the foreign trade of which is at present paralysed.

They were formerly one of Spain's most valuable exports.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, will deliver an address on foreign policy on October 25, announced the State Department to-day.

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## Spaniards Must Eat Luxury Grapes Daily

MADRID, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—Hotels and restaurants in Spain are to serve grapes as a dessert for at least one meal daily.

A decree to this effect is issued by Senor Serrano Sumer, Minister of the Interior.

It is hoped to dispose of some of the production of Almeria grapes, the foreign trade of which is at present paralysed.

They were formerly one of Spain's most valuable exports.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, will deliver an address on foreign policy on October 25, announced the State Department to-day.

## Australia Can't Agree On Coalition Cabinet

CANBERRA, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—The meeting of Party managers summoned by Mr. R.



## RIFLE RANGES IN FULL USE



One of the reasons why Golf at the Kowloon Golf Club is curtailed this year. This butt runs across the 3rd and 8th fairways, and is being put to full use.—Ming Yuen.

# Billiards And Snooker Championships

## H.K. Association Plans For Coming Season

(By "Tinker")

THERE ARE FEW people in the Colony who have not, or do not, play billiards, and because of this it is estimated that if all players were members of the Hongkong Billiards Association (which I suppose they are more or less through their respective Clubs) the latter body should vie with the Football Association in size.

Yet the activities of the Association are placed very much in the background in comparison with the other games here. They certainly haven't courted the publicity that should be theirs.

The answer lies in the fact that billiards and snooker, as maintained in the Colony, have been practically confined to the respective Clubs, and only on few occasions have inter-Club games been played.

The Steel Coulson Billiards and Snooker League has done much—as much as could be done—to bring the Clubs into closer contact, but there is, I think, even much more that could be done.

There is one thing that the Association is doing and that is reviving the annual Colony Championships. They are being considered, and will most probably be run toward the end of the present season which has just commenced.

There was quite some interest in these competitions when they were held in previous years, and it is surprising that they were ever allowed to relapse.

## CUE CRUSADERS

AT HOME, a new body has sprung into being called the "Cue Crusaders", with a three-fold object. First is to keep the spirit of the game alive; second is to foster greater comradeship through the game, and third is to raise money for charity.

The greatest of these three objectives is the third, for that charity is the British Red Cross Society.

## SPORTS ADVT.

## THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE NINTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 18th October, 1940, commencing at 2.00 p.m. The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

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The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27794) will close at 11.45 a.m.  
Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 21920).

**PUBLIC ENCLOSEURE**  
The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order,  
C. B. BROWN, Secretary.  
Hongkong, 14th October, 1940.

## Bowls Singles Quarter-Finals To-day

The remaining matches in the quarter-finals of the Lawn Bowls Singles Championship will be played this afternoon at the Club de Recreio. These are:

U. M. Omar v. A. Hyde-Lay

M. N. Rukusen v. T. A. Madar.

## Second Rugby Trial At The Valley

THE HONGKONG R.U.F.C. held their second rugby trial at the Valley yesterday, and general showing was one which promises well for the Club this season. There were yet slight faults in passing, which will doubtless pass off before the season really gets under way.

Two excellent tries were scored by Bosanquet and Stewart. The first named went through with a great burst of speed from past the half-way line, swerved past Godfrey and then side-stepped beautifully. Stewart shone when he took the ball with his extended arm and went clean through.

Colours beat the Whites 15-0, and remaining tries were scored by Charter, Bosanquet and Thompson. The teams were:

Whites—P. B. Wilson; M. G. Carruthers; D. G. Day; H. Van Leeuwen; T. O. Morgan; J. Cienzo; R. E. Heaseman; J. S. Dunnett; A. M. Kennedy; Hackett; I. Mellor; G. B. Godfrey; A. J. Taylor.

Colours—F. M. Thompson; D. I. Bosanquet; J. C. Charter; Davis; D. H. Stewart; G. C. Alkenhead; J. Thomson; J. S. Lee; R. G. Castleton; Moneys; J. Gairdner; L. A. Benn; Birt; A. G. Dalziel.

# J. Marques Accused Of Deliberate Obstruction In Cross-Harbour Race

## EXONERATED BY COMMITTEE

A SPECIAL COMMITTEE met yesterday at the V.R.C. to consider an unprecedented protest from South China Athletic Association alleging that J. Marques deliberately obstructed Miss Li Po-luen in the cross-harbour race on Friday last, and when near the finishing wall did so in such manner as to prevent Miss Li from winning the race.

The protest was dismissed and Marques completely exonerated.

The Committee comprised Messrs. A. O. Barretto (Chairman), L. Roza Pereira, N. A. E. Mackay, W. Lawrence, L. A. de V. Soares, H. Winglee and L. M. Remedios.

Mr. Barretto read a letter from the Secretary of the S.C.A.A. which alleged that Marques made several attempts to block Miss Li, and caused her to swim off her course. The South China Committee had given the matter careful thought and had arrived at the conclusion that the attempts had been deliberate and requested that an inquiry be held.

Yesterday Miss Li stated that a few minutes after the start of the race she felt someone pull her leg, and turning round saw Marques. Further on her way she was blocked by a sampan from which people were directing instructions to Marques and Miss Gutierrez (the winner of the women's race).

Near the V.R.C. Miss Li said she saw Marques and Miss Gutierrez making a straight course, but they suddenly changed, and Marques crossed right in front of Miss Gutierrez was on the right. In order to avoid Marques, Miss Li changed course several times, but Marques crossed in efforts to hinder her.

Mr. Roza Pereira said that the charge was a most serious one, and if upheld would leave a blot against Marques' name. It was not in the nature of a protest against an infringement of rules, but actually accused Marques of unfair tactics.

Mr. Roza Pereira went on to suggest that the South China representatives that if Marques was found innocent that they should make a public apology in the Press.

Mr. Li Chi-hoy (South China) said that the protest had been made following Miss Li's complaints after the race. The obstruction had occurred just in front of the V.R.C. and added that it was his belief that Marques had deliberately obstructed Miss Li in order that Miss Gutierrez might win.

**WOULD HAVE WON**  
Several witnesses were called, and

one, Mr. Wong Kam-lok was of the opinion even Miss Li had not been blocked, as alleged, Miss Gutierrez had sufficient lead to have won the race.

Marques denied all allegations. He said that opposite the V.R.C. he had noticed that it was going to be a good race between Miss Gutierrez and Miss Li and had stopped swimming, and had he not he might have gone out of his course and blocked Miss Li.

Addressing the Chinese representatives, Mr. Roza Pereira asked if they thought that anyone would be so mad as to block another swimmer right in front of the Clubhouse and in view of the hundreds of spectators, when he might have done so in the middle of the harbour where probably it would not have been seen.

Mr. Chung Yuk-ting, another witness, said that he saw the three swimmers together and that the man appeared to be zig-zagging. He heard shouts from the Clubhouse of "Keep Off," and he thought that Marques was blocking.

Mr. Barretto answered a question that Marques had swum with Miss Gutierrez as a promise to her mother, otherwise she would not have been allowed to take part in the race.

Verdict at the conclusion was that there had been no intentional fouling and that Marques had had the right of way as he was in front of Miss Li.

## Kowloon C.C. Cricket Teams

The following will represent Kowloon C.C. at cricket on Saturday: Against Royal Scots (home)—S. A. Gray (Capt.), F. Curtis, G. A. V. Hall, R. T. Fenlon, H. Brokenshire, K. M. Butler, J. R. T. Broadbridge, W. Parsons, G. A. Goodall, D. D. Lay, F. J. Lay, Umphire, H. Overy, Score, T. A. Carr.

Against Police (away)—D. Hung, W. L. Rapley, A. Zimmerman, J. R. Luke, W. Mills, F. Crabbe, J. W. Barran, G. W. Ciffen, T. O. Morgan, L. B. Birch, R. Leigh.

**SUNDAY GAME**  
Sunday, against Army (home) at 11 a.m.—E. C. Fincher (Capt.), N. D. Lloyd, D. J. N. Anderson, N. A. E. Mackay, D. Hung, W. L. Rapley, A. Zimmerman, F. I. Zimmerman, R. Broadbridge, R. Baldwin, S. Gray, Umphire, J. P. Robinson; Scorer, T. W. Carr.



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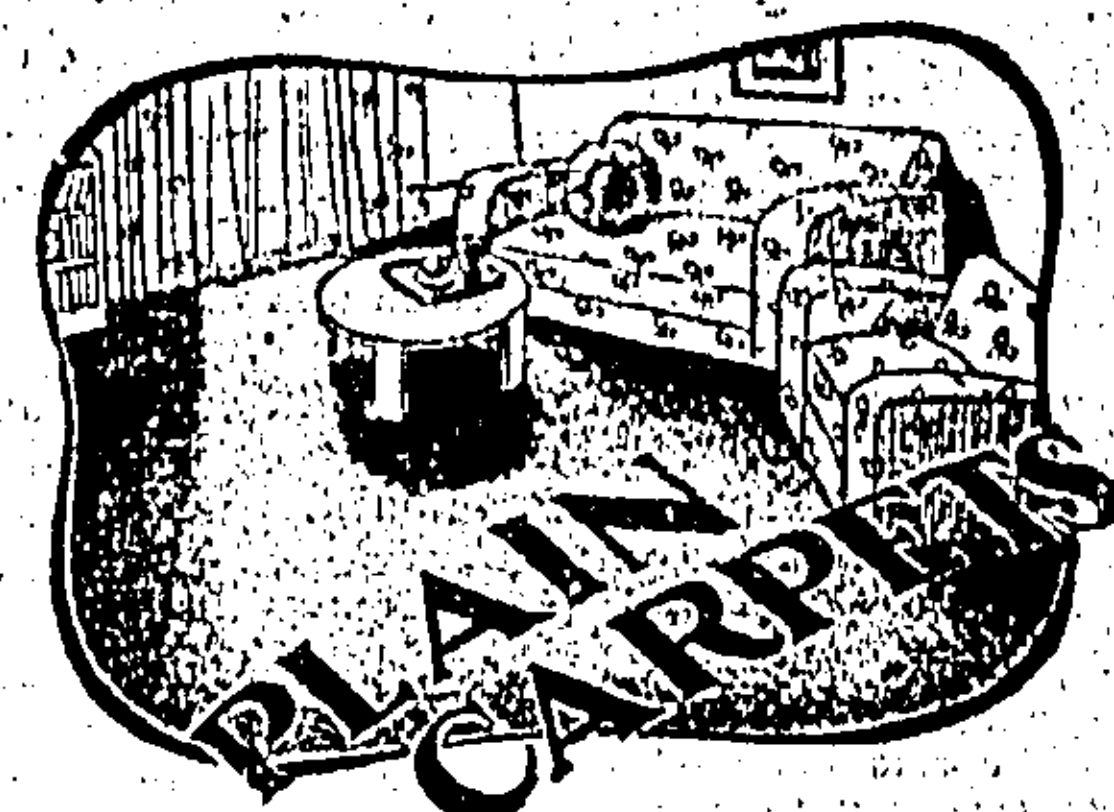
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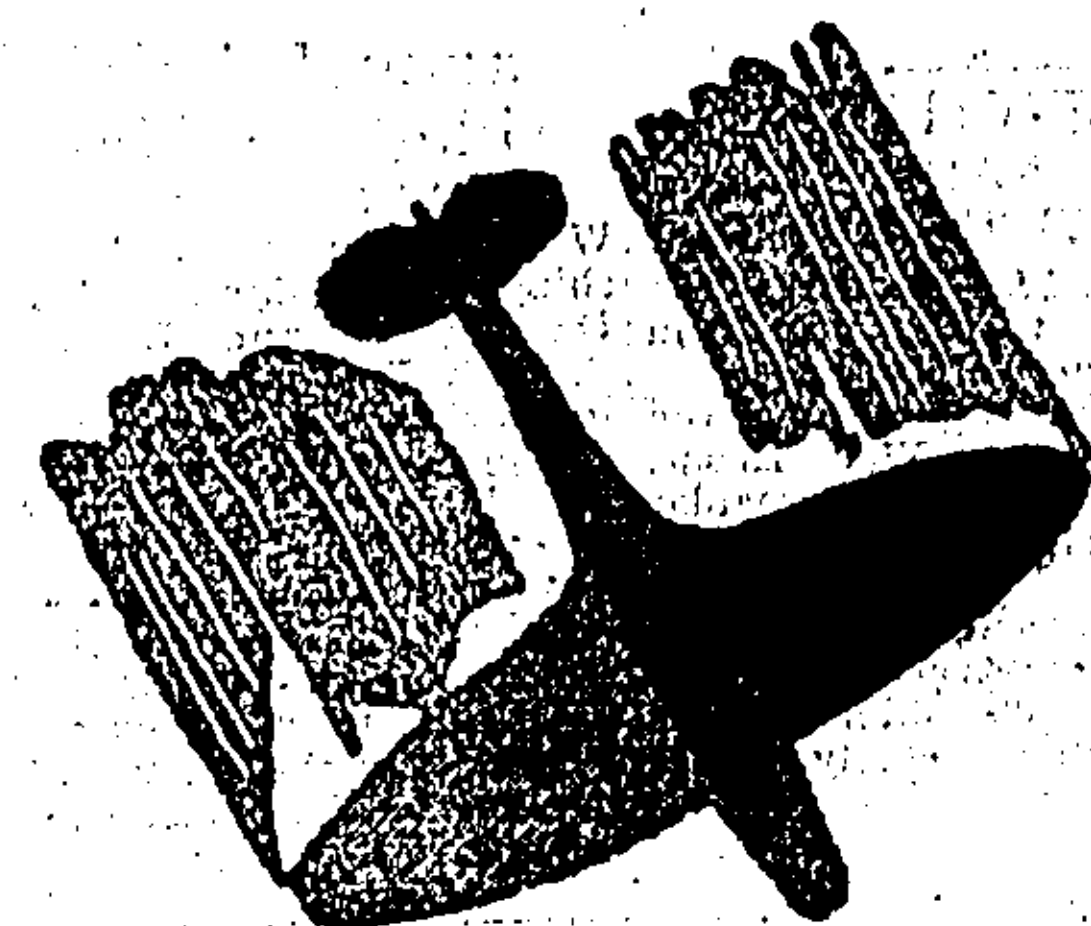
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## Arrangements For Boxing Tournament In Hongkong

### Singapore And Macao Fighters May Participate

(By "Tinker")

FIGHT FANS in Hongkong may soon have an answer to their wish for a boxing tournament in the Colony. Arrangements for this have passed beyond the embryo stage and there should soon be a definite announcement to make.

To this end, a group of local sportsmen, headed by Mr. F. R. Marcal, former associate of Hai-Ani organisation in Shanghai, which organisation were sponsors for fight cards in that city, are actively engaged in negotiation.

Mr. Marcal returned yesterday from Macao where he has been gathering talent for the coming tournament, and he has informed me that there are great hopes that some of the foremost fistic performers of Singapore may also be here.

In conjunction with Mr. Lee Kin-kum, better known as "Sky" Lee, Hongkong University Physical Instructor, Mr. Marcal has arranged training facilities for intending competitors at Knige's Gymnasium, King's Building.

This is the chance for those boxers in Hongkong who have bemoaned the lack of opportunity here to step forward and give their support to the movement.

It is probable that one of the local theatres will be the venue. There seems no other capable of holding a sufficiently big number of people, unless it is staged on a football ground in the open air.

However, this is the start, and how it there is the need for a resuscitation of boxing that has been commented on from time to time it is up to the boxers to come forward and lend their support.







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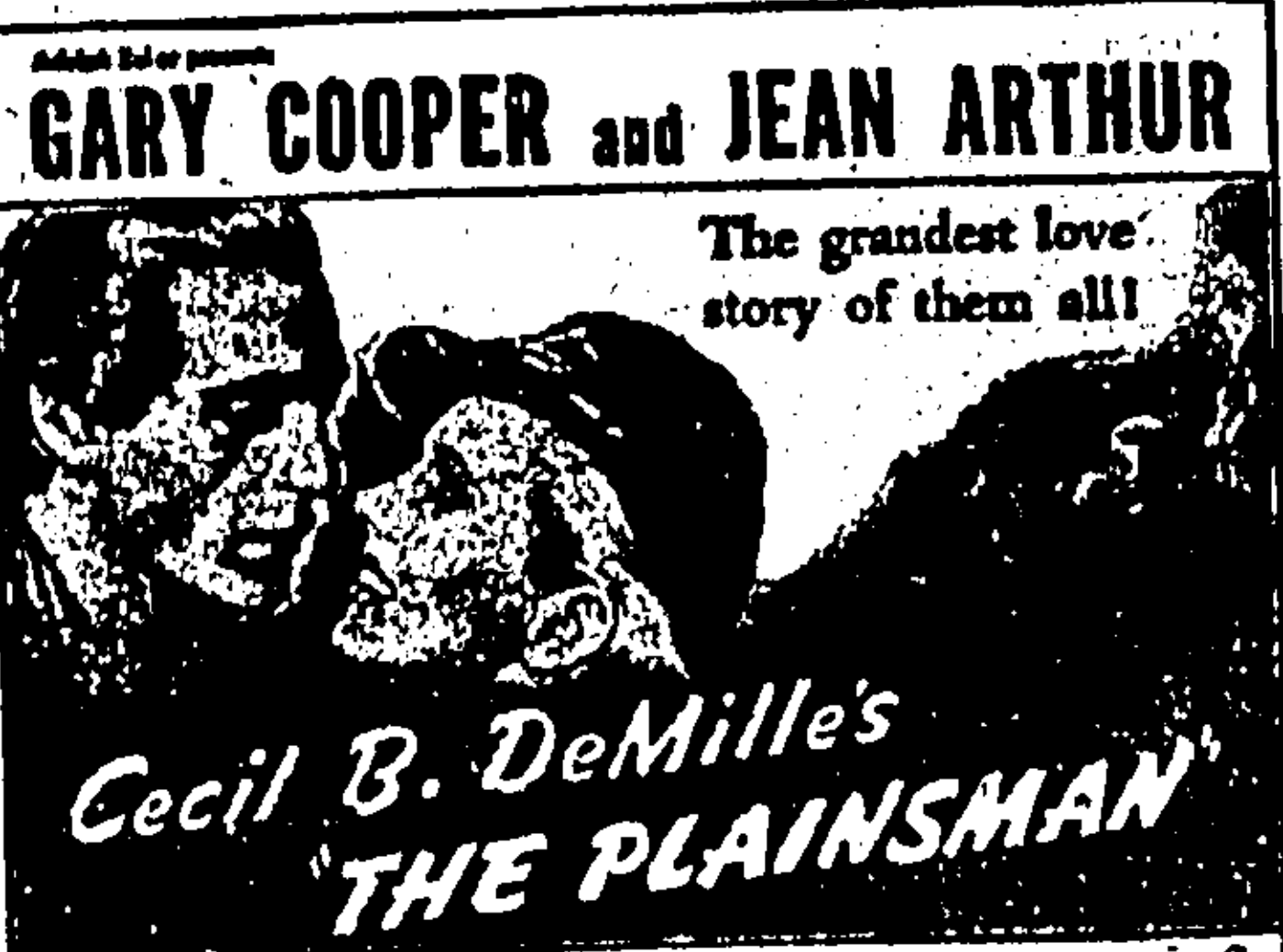


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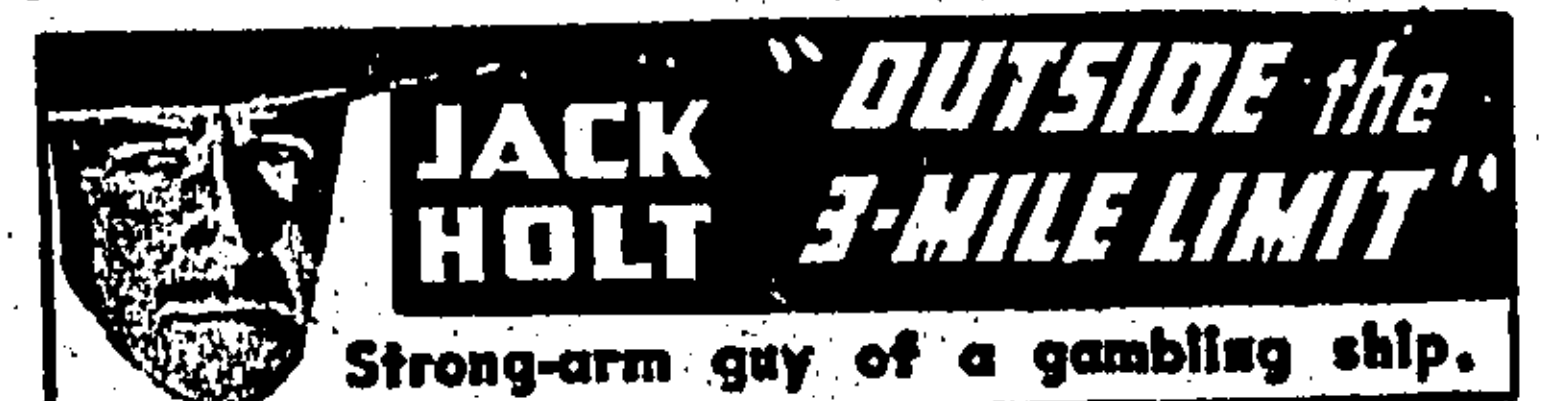
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An amazing story of fake funerals of Graf Spee sailors is told in a letter written by an Englishwoman living in Buenos Aires.  
The writer of the letter alleges that authorities in Uruguay were gradually seeing sailors of the Graf Spee, who had been "buried" with full naval honours.  
The suspicions of the authorities were aroused and an order was given for the exhumation of more than 30 bodies.  
When opened the coffins were found to be filled with ammunition and rifles which had been taken from the Graf Spee before she was scuttled.  
It is thought that the ammunition and rifles were to be used to help in the carrying out of acts of violence against Uruguay when Nazi plans were ready.

### Nazis Tell Their Version of Everything

## Revelations: Berlin Issues Advance Copy —White Book

The Portuguese Government organ "Diario de Manha" publishes the text, received from Berlin, of six documents which will appear in the next German White Book, now ready for issue.

Document one is a long memorandum on the possibilities of help for Finland, wherein M. Daladier is quoted as having stated in a telegram to London that effective help would be dependent on Swedish consent.

Document two gives the opinion of the French War Council that the British expedition to Norway was a fiasco and the British Intelligence Service unequal to its task.

Document three gives M. Reynaud's report on the War Council to Mr. Chamberlain, including a recommendation to set up a single command for the Scandinavian operations.

Document four reports the conviction of the British Government that the French expedition to Norway was a fiasco and the British Intelligence Service unequal to its task.

Document five attributes the failure of the Norwegian expedition to lack of effective command.

Document six discusses the possibility of blocking the Danube to prevent shipments of oil from Rumania to Germany.

### NAZI SNEERS

France has "No Kultur" was the dictum of a German billeting officer, quoted in a Nazi broadcast. The officer, who had been visiting castles in the Loire to find quarters worthy of a senior general, was reported to have said:

"You ask me what French castles are like. I can only answer that they display incredible lack of style. Seen from a distance they are beautiful enough, but a closer view reveals a facade of stucco broken away in patches, disclosing jerry-built brick and timber."

In many cases the noble owners whom he had expected to find had been replaced, he asserted, either by a Jew or by a limited company.

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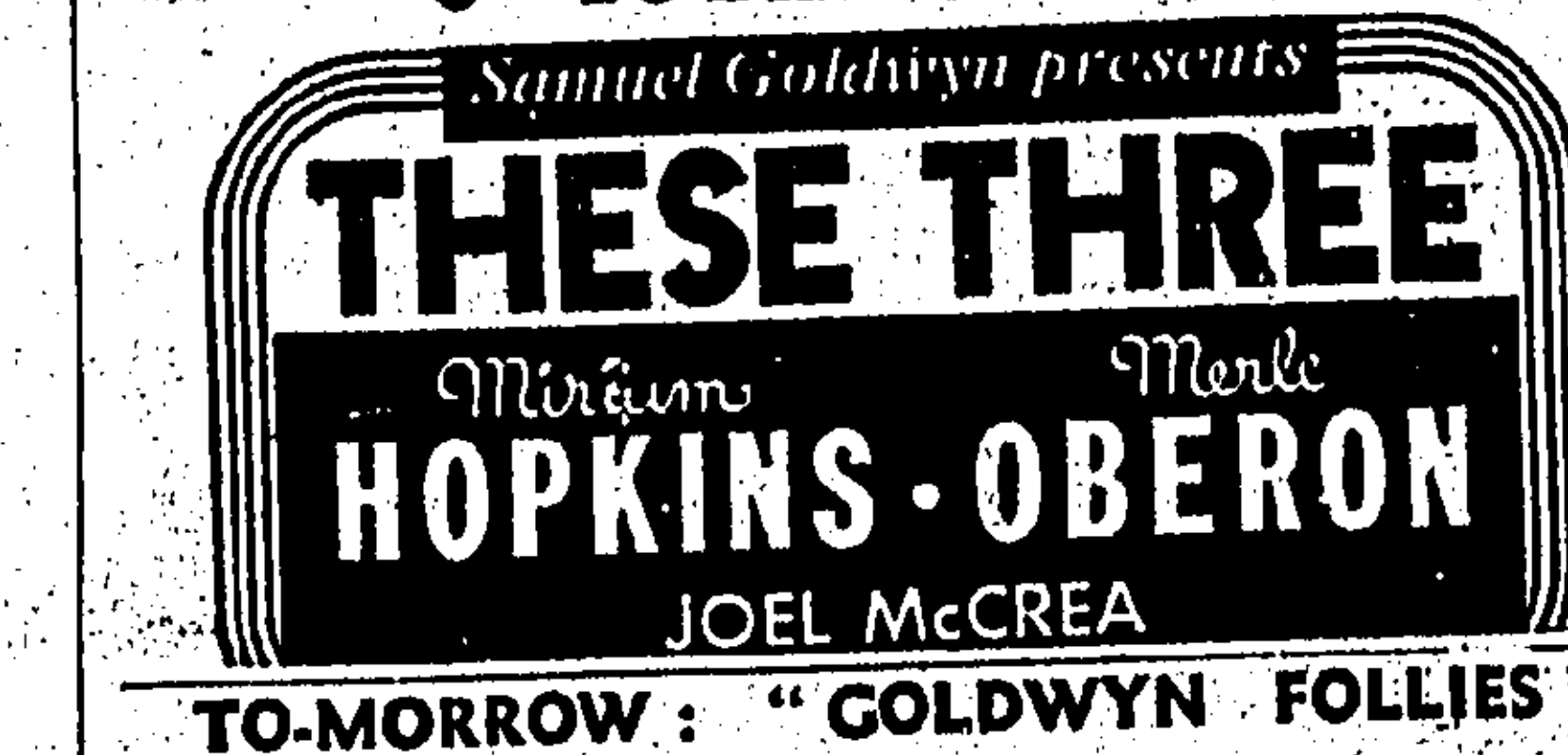
A course of lectures in Chinese in First Aid to the Injured will be commenced by Dr. Lam Shu-chun at St. John Ambulance Brigade Headquarters, Tai Hang Road, to-day, October 17, at 8 p.m. These lectures will be open to the general public, and are specially recommended to persons wishing to become Members of the Brigade.

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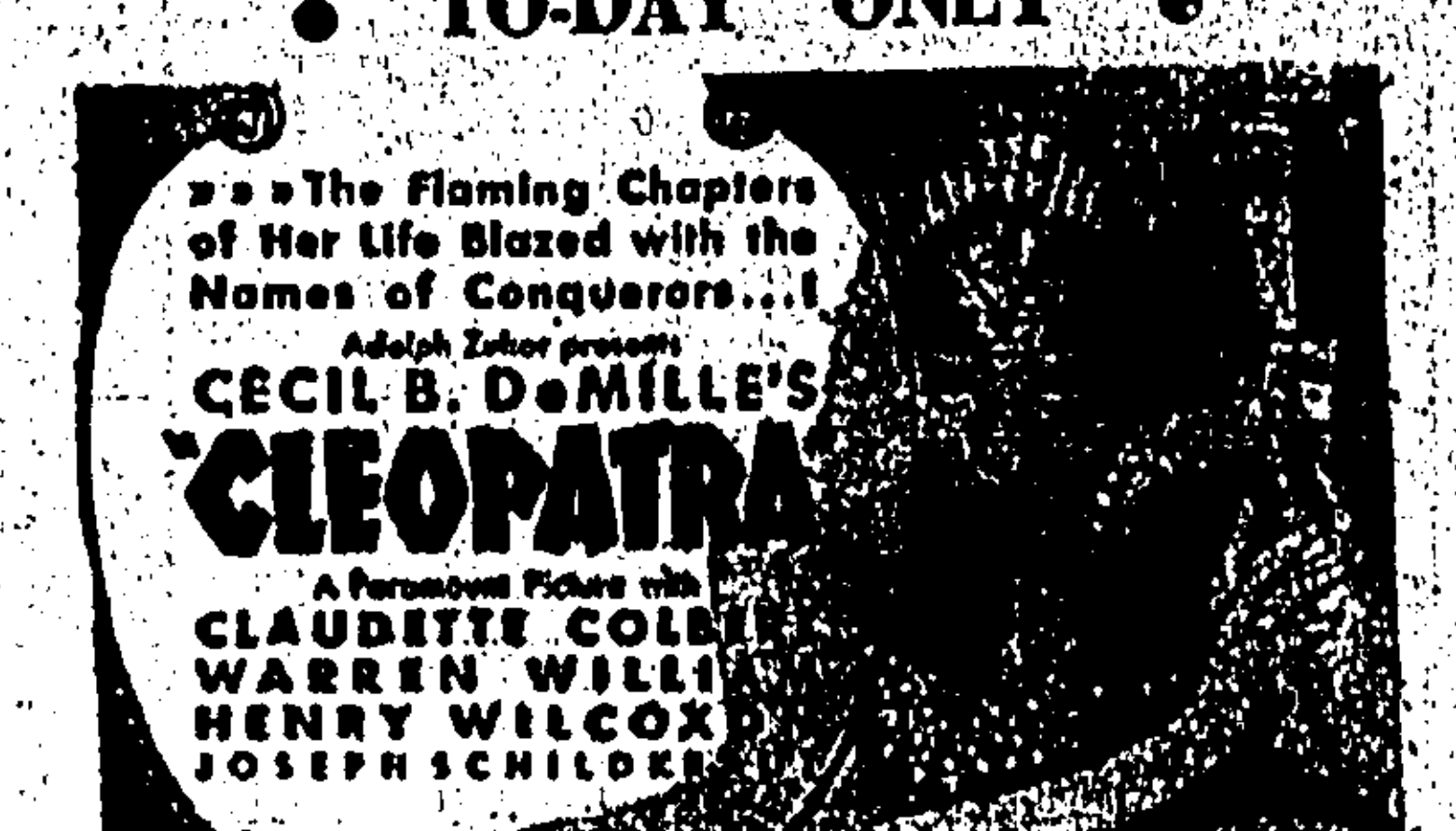
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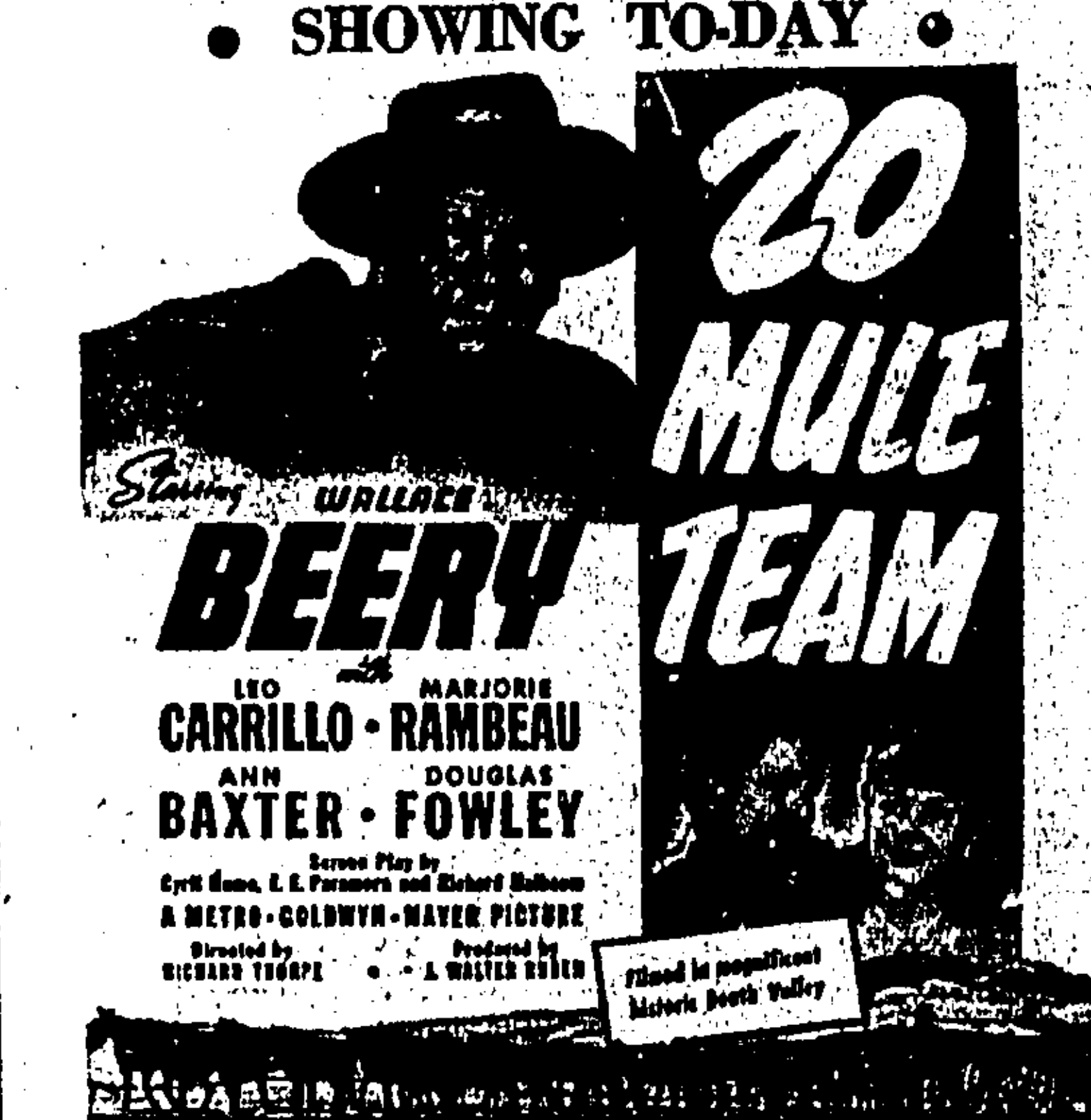
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## H.K. To Lift Ban On Arms To Chungking

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export to Chungking he said "he was not quite clear about that."

"Dane" says in articles prominently displayed on the front page of the Japanese newspapers indicated that the Japanese Government will adopt strong measures for dealing with the reopening of the Hongkong route which Japanese authorities regard as unilateral abrogation by the British of the Anglo-Japanese agreement of July 17.

One newspaper said that according to the Japanese Government's interpretation of the agreement which stipulated the three-month closure of the Burma route, the British Government has agreed to close the Hongkong route indefinitely. It has further been pointed out by the British Government that shipments of arms and munitions to China from Hongkong have stopped since January, 1939.

The three-month limit contained in the agreement referred to the Burma route alone and not to the Hongkong route, according to Japanese authorities, "Nichiichi Shimbun" said that the Japanese Government is determined to take a strong stand regarding the reopening of the Burma route. The Japanese Government has terminated the China conflict which has been strengthened by the conclusion of the tripartite pact by which Japan's policy to curb assistance to China by third-party Powers has been strengthened.

**Trucks Waiting**

LANGKON, Oct. 17 (Reuters).—Hundreds of high-powered trucks are waiting ready to start along the Burma Road when the ban on the transport of arms into China is lifted (to-day), according to reports received from Lashio, near the Burma-China border.

Transport workers are employed day and night loading the lorries.

The rain having abated, the Road is now in good condition. Moonlight will help the trucks to maintain a good speed along the 700-mile highway to Kunming.

## Burma Rd. To Open 12.01 a.m. On Friday

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of the Burma Road will start on Friday.

It was categorically denied that the trucks will only be permitted to carry 100 tons of gasoline for their own use and it was added that aeroplanes and motor vehicles would be released to China on Saturday.

It is reliably reported that there are 100,000 tons of goods at Lashio and at least 500,000 tons at Rangoon consigned to China and awaiting immediate transportation.

Transportation capacity, however, is only 300 tons daily from Lashio to China and 450 tons from Rangoon to Lashio.

It is therefore expected that goods for China will continue to accumulate.

**Nothing Spectacular**

CHUNGKING, Oct. 17 (Reuters).—While the Chinese authorities are attaching the greatest importance to the re-opening of the Burma Road on Friday, nothing spectacular in the form of official ceremonies or a mad dash of trucks over the highway is expected on that day.

Reports that 2,000 to 3,000 trucks will cross the border on Friday are probably imaginary since there is no need for the Chinese to rush transportation and supplies into or out of China now that the road is to be re-opened.

**No Concentrations**

In fact, the Chinese authorities will carefully avoid having any large concentration of trucks at any point in order to escape bombing.

The authorities are mainly interested in having the trucks move steadily into and out of China and not in trying to achieve this by one dash as some reports appear to indicate.

## YUGO-SLAVIA To Protect Navigation In Danube

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuters).—A committee on which the British Government is represented, are to take necessary measures to protect navigation on the Yugo-Slav section of the Danube, states the Belgrade radio.

The committee was set up by the Council of Ministers of the Yugo-Slav Republics.

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The Public is notified that the offices of the War Taxation Department will be closed for business from Saturday, October 19th to Monday, October 21st both days inclusive.

Business with the Public will be resumed on Tuesday, October 22nd at

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Tax falling due on October 19th and 21st will not be regarded as overdue if paid on October 22nd.

A. G. CLARKE,

Commissioner of War Taxation,  
16th October, 1940.

### NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that no person is authorised to solicit or collect donations for the War Fund organised by this Company.

All donations, with the exception of those sent through The Hongkong War Effort Committee, or other properly constituted bodies, should be forwarded, and cheques made out to "War Fund—South China Morning Post, Ltd."

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General Manager.

## Nazi Plane Attacks Goods Train

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The Victoria docks were visible from across the Channel. Although British fighters sought to avoid battle, 32 British pursuit planes were shot down compared to only seven German planes. In addition, anti-aircraft fire brought down five British planes and naval anti-aircraft guns brought down one.

The British air force was "unable to attack military objectives in the Reich during the day time. Bombs were dropped in western and central Germany killing and wounding some civilians and damaging some houses."

**Daylight Relief**

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuters).—There has hardly been any enemy activity over this country to-day yet states a communiqué.

Bombs were reported only in one coast town in Scotland and at one point in the West country.

No damage or casualties are reported.

While full particulars are not yet available, it seems clear that despite widespread and quite violent bombing of civilians in London on Tuesday night, the number of persons killed, though larger than in recent raids, is considered less than in earlier raids of last month.

This morning an enemy fleet plane was shot down by Coastal Command fighters.

## Planes Over London

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".  
LONDON, Oct. 16 (7.50 p.m.).  
(UP).—The drone of planes is loud over London as raiders are skirting the city under the cover of clouds.

At 7.40 p.m. bombs were heard exploding and crashing in the London area.

At 7.20 p.m. guns were heard firing into the clouds a moment after the raid started a few minutes earlier than usual.

German planes are also reported over two southeast towns.

**Troop Train Hit, Say Nazis**

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".  
BERLIN, Oct. 16 (UP).—Informed quarters here to-day claimed that over 300 British troops were probably killed and wounded when a German dive bomber allegedly scored a direct hit on a troop train near Liverpool this morning.

The same sources claimed that a Junkers 88 returning from a raid on a British aerodrome dived on a troop train steaming westward and scored a direct hit on the locomotive.

**London Carries On**

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuters).—In a two-hour tour of London and both sides of the Thames to-day, "Reuters" special correspondent found industrial and private life throbbing as strongly as ever.

German bombers which raided the capital last night had succeeded in laying low a bit more of the sprawling city and its suburbs, but the damage was nothing like what the Germans have been boasting about.

Traffic was running as usual and there was no interference with the morning business trains.

In the city, businesses and banks were carrying on as usual.

## RAIDS ON GERMANY

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and fuel stores were among the chief targets. Incendiary bombs ignited a huge blaze in a large oil dump at the latter town while "numerous direct hits were made on the docks at Flushing and inland waterways."

A later communiqué announced that relays of heavy British bombers hurled tons of high explosives far and wide in a half-hour attack on the railway station at Kassel, a strategic railway centre in Germany.

# HEADMASTER'S APPEAL: COUNSEL'S CRITICISM OF COLLEGE TRUSTEE

Hearing of the appeal concerning the Munsang College was continued this morning before the Full Court, comprising Mr. Justice E. H. Williams and Mr. Justice J. A. Fraser. The appeal was brought by Rufus Huang, Wong Sun-yin and Lee Siong-to and was against an order made in Chambers by the Chief Justice that Mr. Huang ceased to be a trustee of the College and a member of the College Council. The respondents were Dr. S. W. Ts'o, Lam Tsz-fung and Mok Hing-shung, the other trustees of the College.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., appeared for appellants on the instructions of Mr. E. S. C. Brooke, of Hastings and Co., and the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, Jnr., instructed by Mr. M. H. Turner, of Deacons, represented respondents.

It was stated by Mr. Potter at the previous hearing that the school was opened in 1928. During the period from January 1 to June 30, 1939, Mr. Lam agreed to the building of the school being proceeded with, and promised a loan of \$10,000. Mr. Huang was given authority to raise a further \$20,000, and a declaration of trust was executed in June, 1939.

On June 28, Mr. Huang, with the knowledge of the Council, himself signed the building contract and made himself responsible for the cost of the building. Mr. Huang, who was to have signed it as well, refused to do so on the grounds that there was no guarantor, which the contract did not require. Mr. Huang thus made himself responsible for \$20,000, the cost of the building.

Work was commenced on July 1, but there were no liquid funds available for payment. Mr. Huang hoped to raise a loan of \$10,000 from a friend in Macao, Lam had promised \$10,000, and the Council expected Government would make a grant of \$15,000 when the building was completed. None of the money, however, was forthcoming, owing to Mr. Ts'o's ordinary conduct of Mr. Ts'o's ordinary conduct of Mr. Ts'o's ordinary conduct.

Mr. Huang had entirely relied on the promises made to him when he signed the building contract.

**Letter Quoted**

Continuing his opening this morning, Mr. Potter read a letter written by Dr. Ts'o on November 9, 1939 in which he suggested that Mr. Huang had no right to spend portion of the school fees for payment on the building. Mr. Potter submitted that his client had every right to do so in view of the fact that Dr. Ts'o and Mr. Lam had stopped the source of supply for the project.

On November 15, went on Counsel, Dr. Ts'o wrote another letter saying that a sub-committee had been appointed to investigate the accounts kept by Mr. Huang and asked him to hand over the books since 1930.

Counsel commented that this was an extraordinary request because all the accounts up to and including 1937 had already been put before and approved by the Council. In any event, said Counsel, the request had been silenced by the fact that the loans arranged for the building of the school had been stopped and not even mentioned by Dr. Ts'o.

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Many cricketers will learn with regret of the death on Wednesday of Pan Loon, the No. 1 Groundsman of the Hongkong Cricket Club for a number of years. He was 68 years old, he joined the Club staff in 1902 and had thus completed 38 years' service.

A wily bowler of no mean ability, he will be missed at the Club nets. He was also a useful tennis player.

## CHINA FIGHTING, REPORTS

CHUNGKING, Oct. 17 (Central).—Both Hsuancheng and Kwangteh, important Anhwei towns, recently attacked by the Japanese, are now reported to have been cleared of them.

The Japanese went to Langki on the Anhwei-Kiangsu border and reinforcements have now been brought in as fighting continues.

A Chinese made a daring raid on the Japanese garrison at Wulpi, in the southern suburbs of Tunghsing in south Hupoh on the night of October 13. Troops which rushed out from Tunghsing were intercepted and driven back into the city.

An attack was made by Chinese troops in west Shanxi against the Japanese in Linghsin on the Tatung-Puehow Railway and Shuliow, a station north, on October 10.

**Council's Challenge**

"Why couldn't Dr. Ts'o, if he wanted to behave decently, go round to the Bank," asked Mr. Potter. "I'll tell you why. It was because the first thing the Bank would ask would be whether Mr. Huang had the authority of the Council for the overdraft, and he would have to reply yes. He did not go because he can't. I challenge the other side to give any reason as to why these co-trustees did not go to investigate Mr. Phillips' hand over the books since 1930."

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Refund Necessary  
Payment at these rates will be made by the Australian Government in the first instance to all evacuees irrespective of their financial standing, but inasmuch as it will be necessary to refund to the Government its disbursement it is expected that all husbands or fathers normally responsible for the maintenance of their families will contribute according to their means towards this refund.

Arrangements will be made for husbands to repay the Hongkong Government either at these rates or at rates suitable to the individual's means.

Accordingly the husbands, etc., of all evacuees will be asked to undertake to pay at the rates stated if able to do so. Those who are unable to pay at the above rates will be invited to state their financial position confidentially to a select committee who will meet in camera to consider recommendations for grants of assistance towards the refund.

**Not Medical Attention**

The above rates include not only board and lodging but also reasonable personal expenses but do not include medical attention. The husbands, etc., will be asked to contribute towards any medical expenses of their families on similar conditions.

Children of 16 and upwards will be expected to earn their own living and will receive the special allowance only if the Australian authorities are satisfied that they cannot obtain employment with adequate remuneration. If women permanently in Government Service and still drawing salary receive this allowance its equivalent will be deducted from their salary.

**FAMED NEWSMAN IN HONGKONG**

Mr. Hallett Abend, Far Eastern representative of the New York Times, was among the passengers who arrived at Hongkong to-day by the President Garfield from Shanghai.

The well-known American journalist is on his way to Singapore and Rangoon from where he will make a trip over the Burma Road to Chungking.

**MANSLAUGHTER CASE**

Weig Ho, 42, was remanded two days in Police custody when he appeared before Mr. Q. A. A. Macdonald, at Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning, charged with the manslaughter of Au Leung, a coolie. Det. Sgt. N. B. Fraser who is in charge of the case applied for the remand.

The crew and owner covered their heads with hoods.

The victims were taken to an island while the cargo was transferred to the pirate junk. The pirates then set sail and left the unfortunate on the island until a passing junk came to their rescue and the party were taken back to Hongkong.

**Within H.K. Waters**

Defendant was not arrested until September 9.

Lt. Commander Kirby, Superintendent of Charts of the Royal Dockyard, said he was taken by the Police on October 18 to a spot near the Nine Pin group. There he estimated the position to be five miles east of the Nine Pins. He considered the position as in the high seas and within Colonial waters.

Assistant Superintendent of Police L. A. Searle said an identification parade was held at the Victoria Remand Home on October 8 when a witness was identified by a witness.

Woo Lung-ping, one of the passengers on board the junk, said the case is proceeding.

**Piracy Of Junk Near Nine Pins Described**

Hearing of the case in which Ho Lung-chai, alias Ho Kam-chuen, is charged with piracy *jure gentium*, commenced before Mr. E. H. Williams at Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning.

Ho is alleged to have assaulted, and put in fear of their lives, certain mariners and others in a trading junk on February 24. He is also accused of injuring and causing the death of Chan Chuen immediately before the alleged piracy.

Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, assisted by Det. Sgt. Estall prosecuted.

Outlining the case, Mr. Murphy said that about the beginning of February, a man named Chan Ying came to the Colony to charter a junk to convey cargo to Chinese territory. He finally chartered junk No. 2476H from the owner Ho Shing.

About 10 a.m. on February 24 the junk set sail from Shantouwan harbour with a variety of cargo. Those present on board included the owner Ho Shing, Chan Ying and a crew among whom was the defendant.

**Near Nine Pins**

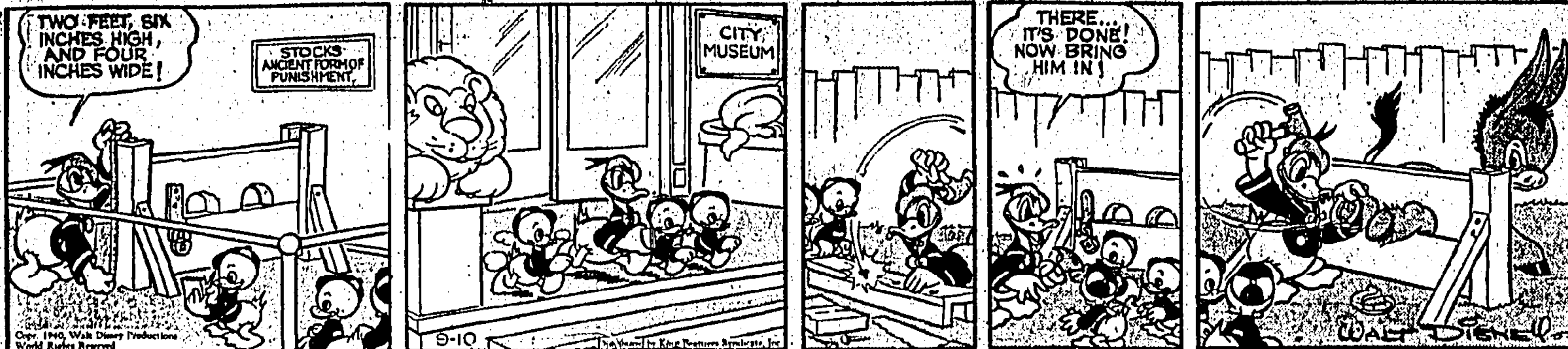
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## SCOTLAND'S STRANGE CASTES

WE think with coming placency of the strange castes of India, of the odd and picturesque types of the Balkans or Spain, but now how many of us realise that Scotland in her time has produced unusual coterie every whit as romantic and "by-ordinal"—as witness the Clan Vic n'oster, "the Men of the Hide," "the Jockeys," the "Horsemen," and others whom I propose to drag from obscurity.

Indeed, I am convinced that England, Ireland, and Wales combined could not reveal such a collection of fantastic folk as the Scotland of a couple of centuries ago, and I am omitting such obvious "peculiarities" as gypsies, tinklers, "professed plebeians," and their kin.

It is from Martine, in his "Description of the Western Islands," that we catch our only glimpse of the Clan Vic n'oster, which even in his time, the early eighteenth century, had become almost extinct, only one of its members remaining alive. They were to be found, he tells us, in the island of Iona, and "are said to have been porters."

He derives their name from "Ostari," which in Latin means "Doorkeepers" or "Doorwards," so that they may have been a sept or family dedicated to the service of the portals of the Abbey and monastery in the sacred Isle. He adds that a tradition existed that St. Columba, the apostle of the Western Isles, because of some misdeed committed by them, laid a curse upon the "Clan," dooming them to dwindle to the number of five individuals and to remain for ever at that number.

The legend added that whenever a child was born to any of the five the whole quintet lay under the fear of speedy extinction. "I found one only of this tribe living in this Isle," says Martine, "and both he and the natives of this and of all the Western Isles unanimously declare that this observation never failed; and all this little family is now extinct except this one poor man."

## Satan in Sutherland

If "The Men of the Hide" were seemingly more numerous than the Clan Vic n'oster, they appear to have been equally elusive. Their country of origin was Sutherland and they appear to have composed the membership of a society with distinctly occult, not to say Satanic leanings.

We are told that the Satanic majesty in person visited the shire

for the express purpose of recruiting them. As a travelling cloak, he wore the hide of a bull, with horns complete, and upon this skin, as on a parchment, he scribbled the names of his new adherents.

So numerous were these that the entire surface of the hide was filled with names, so that the fiend was compelled to jot several later entries upon the horns which served him as a head-dress.

During his stay in Sutherland, he was encountered by the Laird of Cobachy, who found him "a nice-spoken gentleman."

From this tradition the men of Melness and district came to be known as "the Men of the Hide," a soft impeachment they were wont to resent by flattery.

Those who have some acquaintance with Highland folklore will easily recognise in the "well-spoken" gentleman of the bullhide no dreifull Satanic figure, but rather a late and solitary priest of the ancient Celtic rite of the taighlainn, in which the seer or prophet laid himself down beside a waterfall wrapped in a bull's hide to receive enlightenment from the genius or presiding spirit of the solitary place concerning events to come, a proceeding described by Sir Walter Scott in the notes to his "Lady of the Lake."

**The Beggarly Jockies**

And who were the "Jockeys"? Well, they had no connection whatever with the stable, if they may in some sort be associated with Pegasus. For they were a wandering caste of Scottish poets or ballad-makers who appear to have survived until the end of the seventeenth century.

In his entertaining book, "The Story of the See of St. Andrews," written in 1683, George Martine says of them: "To our fathers' time and ours something remained and still does of this ancient order. And they are called by others and by themselves 'jockies,' who go about begging, and are still to be seen in the villages of most of the true ancient shires of Scotland from old experience and observation. Some of them I have discomfited, and found to have reason and discretion. One of them told me that there were not now twelve of them in the whole Isle, but he remembered when they abounded, so as at one time he was one of five that ussulle met at St. Andrews."

John Colvill, a Scots minister, who died in 1807, and who is remembered by his apostasy from Presbyterianism, remarks in his Latin funeral oration on the death of Queen Elizabeth: "When I was a boy I heard the beggarly jockies recite certain homely verses ascribed to Thomas the Rhymer, a reputed prophet."

## Pipers and Fairies

More interesting are the several piper castes which formerly

flourished in the Highlands. The most famous of them were the gifted Mac Crimmon family, attached to the Macleods of Dunvegan, and the only less celebrated MacArthurs, the hereditary pipers of the MacDonnells. The Mac Crimmons had their headquarters at a musical "college" in the town of Borehall, near Dunvegan, which they held rent-free, while the MacArthurs pursued their craft at Peilgown.

The rivalry between these two pibroch societies was intense, and tradition had it that either side was supported and encouraged by fairy patrons, who were believed to supply them with enchanted reeds and even on occasion with bagpipes.

Sometimes the fairies quarrelled among themselves about the respective merits of their protégés. Some of the Macphersons, too, received similar gifts from the elves, particularly that performer who was presented with the black chieftain of Clan Chattan by his fairy sweetheart, in the same way as young John Mac Crimmon received a silver chanter from a fairy damsel at Borehall in return for his inspired playing.

## Weird Horsemen

"The Horsemen! The Horsemen! Society!" How the far North still rings with the tradition of that name. Even to-day its mysteries are said to continue, and by many a farm fire-side in the long winter evenings strange tales of this weird brotherhood are recounted.

Well do I remember from boyhood days how deeply impressed by its glamour were our sonsy misdeeds from the North and how "sweet" they were to speak of it.

There was a "Horseman's word," the knowledge of which conferred strange powers, but to reveal it would assuredly entail consequences the most terrible.

After much burrowing, I am given to believe that the Horseman's Society was a secret brotherhood of farm servants of the ploughman class who, after finishing their apprenticeship, were duly initiated into it to the accompaniment of strange rites, including trick-riding on horseback, and a good deal of what might appropriately be called "horse-play."

About forty years ago a farm servant sued another in the Sheriff Court at Aberdeen for the return of a pound note, which he had paid him to reveal "the horseman's word." The canny Aberdonian had pocketed the note, but refused to divulge the mystic term.

I could tell you of queer folk in the remote corners of the Western Isles, of a type utterly foreign to the inhabitants, whose business was to gather whecks, of hereditary guardians of sacred wells and stones who still held office not many decades ago, of seers and the last sad ministers of decaying trades.

## ARMY GOES SALVAGING

**SALVAGE at home is a thing of vital importance and has at last come into its own. Better late than never—and after all it was late in 1917, or perhaps early in 1918, that the value of salvage on the battlefields at least was sufficiently realised for the Army Authorities to appoint salvage parties to go round the shell-torn terrain in France and Belgium, and so save thousands of pounds and much vital material.**

These salvage parties were mostly composed of C 3 men, fellows who had been wounded or who had become unfit for the continuous strain of the front line. I have vivid memories of one day spent with such a party, having volunteered to take charge during the temporary absence of their own N.C.O.

## A "Miracle"

It was in Northern France, about the St. Leger district, and my party rattled up in an Army lorry that sounded as if its best days were gone and forgotten. So much so that, as the lorry jumped down, Downy Pedlar, the White-chapel humorist, said to the driver:—

"When we gets back to-night, ole cock, remind me, will yer, to put the ole bus on top o' the salvage. If someone don't, she will jest gradually slide away—like a blinkin' ghaist. Sye cully, as another idea got hold of him 'she ain't a ruddy ghaist now, is she?'"

MacPherson removed a disreputable clay pipe from his mouth. "Dinna be daft, Downy," he said. "She's nee ghaist but bring us ten mile. She's a bloomin' miracle."

The driver got down, spluttering with wrath. "Now look 'ere," he cried. "I'm jest about fed up with yer remarks, see? May a blinkin' idea get off at the first ammunition dump you find. S'long."

"S'long, Bill," they called after him cheerfully, "an' may a wheel come off an' ditch yer five miles from 'ome."

All fashionable compliments being thus disposed of, they immediately got busy at their job of work, spreading out so as to cover as much ground as possible.

## The Burial Party

And what a day it was. Jerry's long-range guns were for ever, at most unexpected moments, searching the ground won from them two days back, and twenty times we had to take shelter in shell holes.

One incident that the men thought an excellent joke was when a burial party, searching the ground for the bodies of our own men first of all, and sheltering in a large shell-hole, were themselves buried by the explosion of a big shell.

Our salvage party rushed into the open and began digging frenziedly, well knowing that, if any were left alive, every split second counted. To our joy we were able to rescue the whole bunch of five men.

Then the ragging began with Downy asking, "What's the best thing to do with a burial party, boys?" and the immediate answer, "Bury the blighters."

The resurrected burial party goes off muttering to itself, and our party resumes its scavenging. And what a rich field to work in! Luck of material there is none, rather are we embarrassed with the wealth strewn broadcast. The trail of war is blazed in potential wealth of all kinds.

Shrapnel helmets, blood-stained tunics, gas-masks (shells, bombs, fuses, cartridges, grenades, hidden covered), packs, wires, bayonets, boots, shell-cases, and blankets. Rats are taken down and the wood and the corrugated iron carefully

preserved, as are coils of wire, waterproof sheets and many other valuable articles. All are duly collected and carried to a general dump beside the "dry-weather track," as the near-by notice advises.

## Fokker "Eggs"

"Blind Bart," who wears large round spectacles, because, as Dusty Miller says, "He can't believe his own eyes," and who is making a painful way towards the dump, carrying a dozen blankets which obscure his poor sight further, and attempt to trip him at every alternate step, suddenly disappears into a shell-hole filled with a filthy green water. When he emerges, to the accompaniment of loud demands for an encore from his unfeeling mates, he is dyed a rich green.

"Dyed for 'is bleedin' country!" exclaims Downy Pedlar, pretending to weep. A couple of Fokkers fly overhead and throw down at us about a dozen small "egg-bombs"—little things of the shape and size of duck eggs. Vicious little brutes they are, too, and intended to catch the fellows who throw themselves on the ground, for they burst straight along that level.

Dusty Miller catches a splinter along the cheek, and his remarks are something to endeavour to forget. MacPherson adds to his fury by suggesting that the scar is really an improvement.

## A Great Job

We scrounge tea from an A.S.C. dump, and go to a lunch of bully-beef sandwiches and scalding tea, have a smoke, and are back at the job in an hour.

Larking and chaffing like a party of schoolboys, ducking periodically from shell and bomb, but steadily increasing the dump by the roadside. Then the same old bus comes rattling along, the driver grinning a friendly welcome, which changes to a scowl as the salvage party begin chanting:—

"Hail the ghost of John James Christopher Benjamin Blins, Comes here battering, clattering, just like some rusty ole tin. An' the thing we want to know, is, will it last for an hour or so. We think to salvage it should go—Poor ole Benjamin Blins."

They are waving and shouting, "So long, sarge," and go clattering down the "dry-weather track" towards camp and dinner. A great crowd! A great job, salvage!

J. C. Graham.

## Vichy Breaks With Holland

## German Pressure

The Press service of the Dutch Government in London announces that their diplomatic relations with the Petain Government will be suspended. The Petain Government informed the Dutch Minister at Vichy that they felt themselves compelled to take steps to this effect.

In authoritative Dutch circles the French decision has been received with regret. Relations with France had remained courteous and friendly after the armistice of June 15, and it is felt that the Petain Government is acting only under strong pressure from Germany, which cannot tolerate the presence of a Dutch Legation at Vichy enjoying the usual diplomatic privileges, including the freedom of informing their Government by confidential means of the situation in France.

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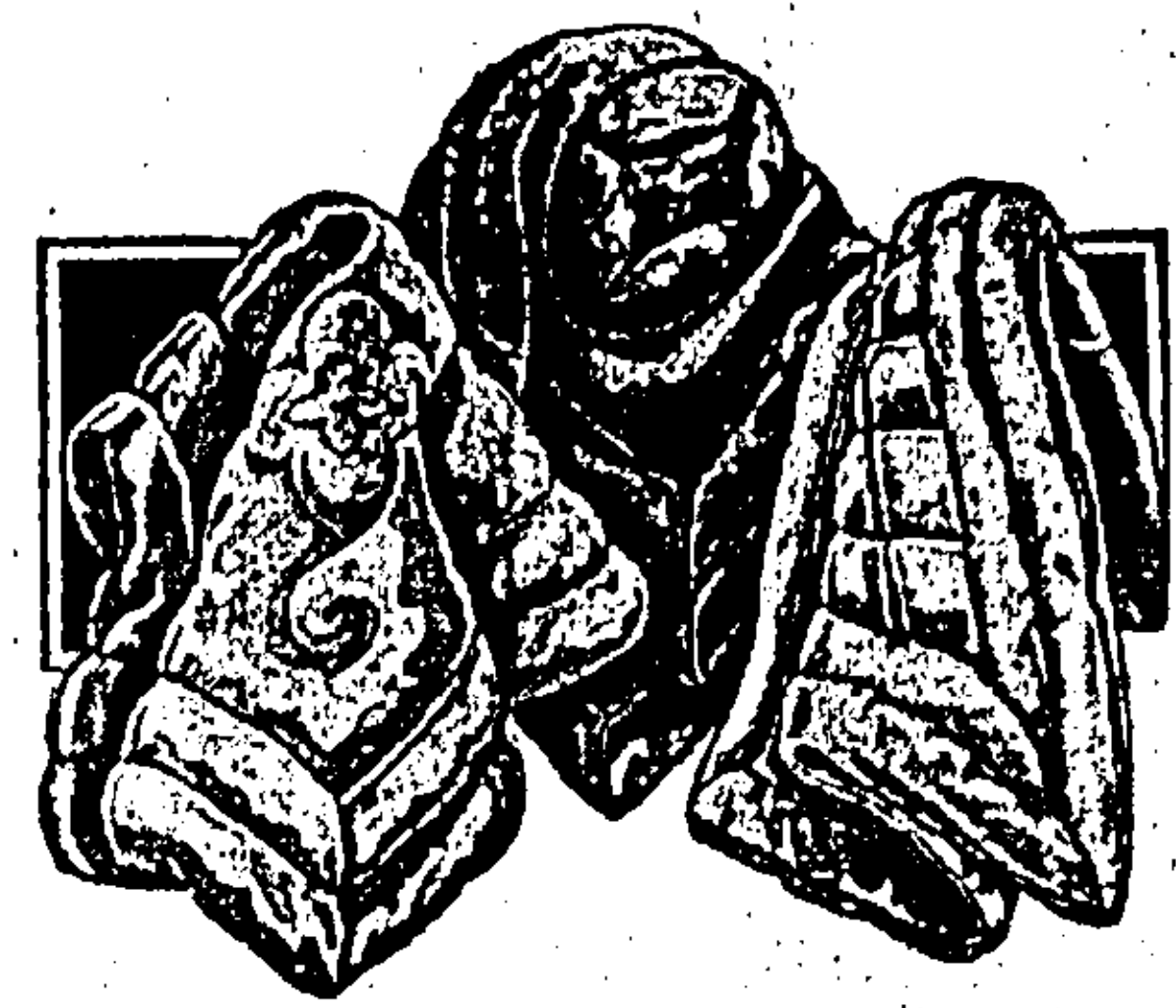
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## Hollywood Has The Strangest Insurance Policies

GEORGE Zucco, the Manchester-born character-actor, recently insured himself against losing his English accent.

This was one of the unusual policies handled by the Land-Kennel Company, Lloyd's representatives in Hollywood. They have handled many more, some of them so unusual that they had to cable to London for instructions.

Greta Nissen, the Norwegian star, has insured her back against injury mainly from sunburn.

"That was an interesting case," said Mr. Kennel. "We had to get a physician to describe her back for the purpose of the policy."

Then there was Patricia Morrison. The Paramount studio wanted to advertise the fact that she was appearing in "Untamed."

It occurred to studio officials that an untamed woman might conceivably find a husband. So they

applied for what they called "love insurance."

This made a newspaper item. It also made a lot of work for the underwriters, but finally they produced a policy which filled the bill.

This promised to pay Miss Morrison \$250 a week, up to \$2,500, should she be "prevented from pursuing her profession owing to matrimonial entanglements." The studio paid the premium for a short time, but if Miss Morrison wants the insurance to continue it will cost her another \$250.

"We have not had to pay a single loss on any of this business," Mr. Land said. "Most of it would seem to be written chiefly for publicity purposes. While we don't seek that, the premiums so far have been net profit, and we can't complain about that."

Nelson Eddy, Metro-Goldwyn's baritone star, recently applied for insurance against losing his voice, and also against any disfigurement of his face. This application, of course, is in the more serious class.

"It's like an accident policy, in which a mechanic gets \$5,000 if he loses his hands," Mr. Land explained. "He makes his living with them. Mr. Eddy makes his with his voice and face."

"We'd pay up if his razor slipped, one morning, and made it impossible for him to work before the camera. Even if he got a boil which laid him off we'd pay."

The main business of the agency is cast insurance, whereby a producer insures against loss because of illness among his actors during the production of a picture.





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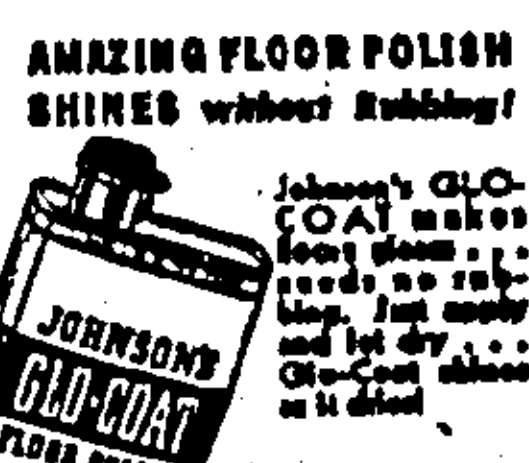


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### BEATEN AND DISCREDITED

THE British Navy has struck another blow; not decisive, perhaps, from the strictly material point of view, but highly important in its moral effect upon the enemy. This war has already proved one thing; that whenever British naval units are given a chance of closing with the enemy, they are superior in every phase of fighting.

To H.M.S. Ajax, that bold, daring, courageous man-o-war once again goes the honours of a fight well fought and a victory well deserved. It was the Ajax who played such an important part in the defeat of Germany's "unbeatable" pocket battleship Admiral Graf Spee off Montevideo in December last; it was the Ajax which this week sent two Italian destroyers to the bottom of the Mediterranean and crippled another so badly that her final destruction was merely a matter of hours. This is a proud enough record for any warship after twelve months of war and few opportunities of coming to grips with the opposition.

Apart from the achievement of the Ajax, the most significant feature about this latest Mediterranean naval action was the gross exaggeration of the Italian claims. Clearly hoping to trap the British Commander-in-Chief into making a hurried statement on the action before precise and accurate information was available, the Italian propaganda department blared out to the world the "news" of a "great naval victory". For 36 hours the British Admiralty remained silent, but it was not the silence of the damned, but the proper caution of those who appreciate that the truth, even if it cannot be revealed until sometime after the lies have been told, is still the best guarantee of winning public confidence, both at home and abroad. The British Admiralty relied on the official report of the Commander-in-Chief, not the wild imaginations of a propaganda office, and the truth of that naval engagement is now known. The result is not only a triumph for our navy, but a vindication of the policy of

## BRITAIN'S WOMEN

### —THEY DEFY DANGER

The first member of the British women's forces has just been decorated by King George VI. She is Miss Daphne Pearson, an officer in the Women's Auxiliary Air Force. She was awarded the Medal of the Order of the British Empire for her bravery in extricating a pilot from his crashed aircraft. Having pulled him from the plane, she threw herself over him to protect him from the explosion of a 120lb bomb.

Such an act thrills the imagination with its spectacular courage. Miss Pearson dismisses it as a spontaneous impulse... over before she had time to think. She says the really brave women are those members of Britain's Civil Defence who go calmly out on duty every time the sirens blow an air raid warning.

These women know the risks they run. They are abundantly illustrated to them throughout the highly specialised training they undergo to enable them to reduce these risks for other people.

Upon their courage and unwavering devotion to duty the safety of the civil population of Britain depends. Every day and night in every part of the country they wait ready for instant service. They would deride the suggestion that they were heroines and deprecate the fact that they are brave!

Here and there a spectacular story of this bravery emerges to stir the imagination and warm the heart. Mostly their part in this great war drama passes unnoticed in the surge of quick moving events. Or becomes engulfed in the monotony of routine work.

There is nothing, for instance, particularly thrilling or demanding much in the way of gallantry, in standing by a waiting ambulance. It must be cleaned—kept in perfect running order. Long hours must pass in which the driver has nothing more dramatic with which to pass the time than knitting, sewing or reading. Then, without warning, there is an instant in which the world about her shakes and crumbles with the roar of an exploding bomb.

First-aid training has equipped her to deal with casualties. She knows every house as well as every road in her district well enough to circumvent craters or debris however dark or foggy it may be.

Her mind can instantly work out an alternative route should roads be blocked so that her cases can be got to hospital with the least delay.

Officially the raid should be over before she starts up her ambulance for the scene of the damage. It frequently is—and another one started. En route there is little to protect her from flying shrapnel, splinters or machine gun bullets.

Fifty thousand women drive ambulances in Britain to-day. They do not think of these things as risks. Merely as incidents which might be encountered in the execution of the job! When war broke out a schoolmistress in a large West of England town thought she could help the Fire Service by doing office work during the evenings. For months she answered the telephone and typed messages. A few nights ago her prosaic job flamed to the stuff of which glory is made.

She was alone on duty. High explosive bombs began to fall on her district. She heard the explosions growing rapidly nearer. Knowing that her post was adjoining one of the targets, she calmly phoned for ambulances and demolition squads as it became evident these would be necessary. Her only complaint was that the blast made it difficult to keep her seat... with one hand on the

basing official reports on indisputable evidence in preference to wishful thinking and extravagant imaginings.

A double blow has been struck at Italy; her ships have been defeated and her propagandists discredited.

phone and the other clutching her papers!

When women were first invited to volunteer for duty as Air Raid Wardens, there was considerable criticism from certain sections of the public. Many people felt that it was "A man's job". To-day they are thankful it is a woman's too.

Eighty thousand women wardens in various parts of Great Britain have proved their gallantry and usefulness in action in a manner which has made a profound impression. Actual experience of raids has given many instances in which a woman's warm-hearted sympathy and understanding in difficult situations have been invaluable.

When buildings are demolished a man's strength is necessary to extricate the casualties. It isn't as useful in calming distracted relatives who must wait patiently while their loved ones are released. Or in that more painful duty, consoling those whose relatives have been maimed or killed.

Hysteria seldom occurs. When it does a man can deal easily with it. A woman's tact as easily prevents it happening. This is one of the reasons why women wardens are in such demand for duty in shelters during air raids. If one child should start crying its distress would soon be taken up by others. So the wardens organise games, singing and competitions. One south coast town has a woman warden who tells children's stories so well that she has to be lent from one district to another. Wardens in another town have formed a concert party to amuse their charges as they wait for the "All Clear."

That impulse which makes every woman rush to help those in distress cannot be better served than by this hazardous duty called into being by the barbarism of modern warfare. It has been found that in action women act instantaneously—without the slightest regard of risk to their own safety.

"Divinely foolhardy" was a man warden's comment on a woman colleague's recent exploit. It happened during the bombing of Plymouth.

The warden was on patrol when gunfire broke out and a block of houses fell wrecking an adjacent block of houses. She should have taken shelter until the raider had passed. Instead, she picked herself up from the ground to which she had been thrown by blast and was in the bombed house extricating the inhabitants before the dust from debris had subsided.

No less inspiring was the action of a Nottingham woman. Incendiary bombs had fired a group of houses in her district. She set to work to procure a pump, water and all possible means of rescue. No sooner was work started on the fire than high explosive bombs began coming down. These did not perturb her. From the top of her ladder she continued to spray her neighbour's blazing roof as calmly as though she were watering the garden.

One could multiply these stories many times. They make a saga in this horrific warfare that it will be good to remember out of so much the world will want to forget.

There are stories of the bravery of civilians, too. Like the one of two old ladies in a Southern town. They were bombed literally out of bed, being thrown from one side of the room to the other when a bomb cut off the entire front of their house. As one had a weak heart a doctor lost no time in going to see how they were. He found them at two in the morning, serving teas as calmly as if it had been four in the afternoon, to the family next door, who had also called to see how they were progressing.

This determination to take what comes without allowing it to disturb the serene pattern of living is evident all over Britain. Men, women and children busy themselves in the matter of fact fashion of their everyday lives in a world that at any moment may come toppling about their ears. When it does it can't be helped. Till it does why worry? Is their attitude towards it all?

Danger and adventure have always been the salt of the Britisher's existence. The patriotism and courage of their ancestors is world history.

Everyone in Great Britain to-day is ready to deal the same way with history in the making.

Particularly the women!

### FUNNY SIDE UP

By Abner Dean



"Sure, I know our time is up to-day... but there's no fun in just walking out the front gate!"

## P. I. are having an Election

MANILA, Oct. 12 (UP).—The next elections for local officials—provincial governors, town mayors, etc.—will be held in December, and Manuel Luis Quezon's omnipotent Nacionalista party is now confronted by fights within itself. Party leaders are busy ironing out disputes to avoid possible dangerous splits.

While it confronts no real of a strong Nacionalista bloc has opposition on a national scale, put a candidate against Sena.

The Nacionalista party still has two wings, in many provinces, and candidates of these factions of the most interesting in the province's history.

Cipriano Primicias, former member of the defunct House of Representatives, has been nominated by a convention of delegates from his faction.

Another Nacionalista, Dr. Santiago Estrada, was previously nominated by a convention of town mayors and councillors as official candidate and has the backing of majority of the province's national assemblymen. Primicias was reported determined to go ahead with the fight despite his opponent's apparently stronger following.

The gubernatorial race in Camarines Norte is attracting wide attention in view of the fact that an opposition party, Young Philippines, has put up a candidate, Wenceslao Q. Vinzon, young attorney and president of the party.

Disputes within the party are particularly bitter in Occidental Negros, home province of Speaker Jose Yulo.

The situation in this province was considered so serious that it was believed Commonwealth President Quezon may intervene to avoid discontent among important party men.

One of the two Nacionalista factions in Occidental Negros is led by Speaker Yulo himself; the other is headed by Secretary of Interior Rafael Alunan and Assemblymen Pedro Hernandez. Both factions have a candidate for governor.

A convention has been scheduled for Occidental Negros, but the Alunan faction wants the province declared a free zone, contending that the Yulo faction's candidate would surely be nominated in a convention.

Representative of the Alunan faction have asked National Assembly Floor Leader Quintin Paredes, acting president of the party in Yulo's absence, that Occidental Negros be declared a free zone and indicated they would take the matter to Quezon himself if their request should be denied.

In Tayabas, home province of Quezon, Governor Casiano Sandoval has suddenly withdrawn from the gubernatorial race in favour of Gregorio Sena, a provincial board member.

It was reported Sandoval withdrew because Quezon had a "lukewarm" attitude toward his aspiration for re-election. It was understood Tayabas may be declared a free zone because

### Monarchists Busy

THE French monarchists are getting busy again. One of them, the Comte de Lusignan, has reached London, where he is putting over propaganda for the restoration of the French monarchy.

He claims that the stock of the pretender Comte de Paris, who has now returned to France from Brazil, has risen considerably and he hopes, just as the debacle of 1870 overthrew the Empire, and produced a Republic, so the present catastrophe may overthrow the Republic and produce a Monarchy.

### Ancient Kings

The Comte de Lusignan has royal blood in his own veins. His father was made King of Cyprus at the time of the Crusades, and his family reigned there for a considerable time.

The Lusignan arms can still be seen on churches in Cyprus and elsewhere in the Near East.







## RIFLE RANGES IN FULL USE



One of the reasons why Golf at the Kowloon Golf Club is curtailed this year. This butt runs across the 3rd and 8th fairways, and is being put to full use.—Ming Yuen.

# Billiards And Snooker Championships

## H.K. Association Plans For Coming Season

(By "Tinker")

THERE ARE FEW people in the Colony who have not, or do not, play billiards, and because of this it is estimated that if all players were members of the Hongkong Billiards Association (which I suppose they are more or less through their respective Clubs) the latter body should vie with the Football Association in size.

Yet the activities of the Association are placed very much in the background in comparison with the other games here. They certainly haven't courted the publicity that should be theirs.

The answer lies in the fact that billiards and snooker, as maintained in the Colony, have been practically confined to the respective Clubs, and only on few occasions have inter-Club games been played.

The Steel Coulson Billiards and Snooker League has done much—as much as it could be done—to bring the Clubs into closer contact, but there is, I think, even much more that could be done.

There is one thing that the Association is doing and that is reviving the annual Colony Championships. They are being considered, and will most probably be run toward the end of the present season which has just commenced.

There was quite some interest in these competitions when they were held in previous years, and it is surprising that they were ever allowed to relapse.

## CUE CRUSADERS

AT Home, a new body has sprung into being called the "Cue Crusaders", with a three-fold object. First is to keep the spirit of the game alive; second is to foster greater comradeship through the game, and third is to raise money for charity.

The greatest of these three objectives is the third, for that charity is the British Red Cross Society.

## SPORTS ADVT.

## THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE NINTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 19th October, 1940, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

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## MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

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The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27794) will close at 11.45 a.m. on SATURDAY.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1, Boy (Tel. 21020).

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The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including tax for all persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order, C. B. BROWN, Secretary.

Hongkong, 14th October, 1940.

## Bowls Singles Quarter-Finals To-day

The remaining matches in the quarter-finals of the Lawn Bowls Singles Championship will be played this afternoon at the Club de Recreio. These are:

U. M. Omar v. A. Hyde-Lay  
M. N. Rukusen v. T. A. Madar.

## Second Rugby Trial At The Valley

THE HONGKONG R.U.F.C. held their second rugby trial at the Valley yesterday, and general showing was one which promises well for the Club this season. There were yet slight faults in passing, which will doubtless pass off before the season really gets under way.

Two excellent tries were scored by Bosanquet and Stewart. The first named went through with a great burst of speed from past the half-way line, swerved past Godfrey and then side-stepped beautifully. Stewart shone when he took the ball with his extended arm and went clean through.

Colours beat the Whites 15-0 and remaining tries were scored by Charter, Bosanquet and Thompson.

The teams were:  
Whites—P. H. Wilson; M. O. Carruthers, C. G. Dyer, H. Van Leeuwen, T. O. Morgan, J. C. Clarno; R. E. Hoareman, J. E. Dunnett, A. M. Kennedy, Hackett, I. McElroy, G. J. Godfrey, J. G. Taylor.  
Colours—F. M. Thompson; D. I. Bosanquet, J. C. Charter, Davis, D. H. Stewart; C. G. Aitkenhead, J. A. Bann, J. S. Lee, R. G. Castleton, Mosey, J. Gairdner, L. A. Benn, Birt, A. O. Datzel.

## Arrangements For Boxing Tournament In Hongkong

### Singapore And Macao Fighters May Participate

(By "Tinker")

FIGHT FANS in Hongkong may soon have an answer to their wish for a boxing tournament in the Colony. Arrangements for this have passed beyond the embryo stage and there should soon be a definite announcement to make.

To this end, a group of local sportsmen, headed by Mr. F. R. Marcal, former associate of Hai-Alai organisation in Shanghai, which organisation were sponsors for fight cards in that city, are actively engaged in negotiation.

Mr. Marcal returned yesterday from Macao where he has been gathering talent for the coming tournament, and he has informed me that there are great hopes that some of the foremost stilt performers of Singapore may also be here.

In conjunction with Mr. Lee Kin-kum, better known as "Sky" Lee, Hongkong University Physical Instructor, Mr. Marcal has arranged training facilities for intending competitors at King's Gymnasium, King's Building.

This is the chance for those boxers in Hongkong, who have hitherto been the lack of opportunity here to step forward and give their support to the movement.

It is probable that one of the local theatres will be the venue. There seems no other capable of holding a sufficiently big number of people, unless it is staged on a football ground in the open air.

However, this is the start, and now if there is the need for a resuscitation of boxing that has been commented on from time to time, it is up to the boxing fans to come forward and lend their support.

## NEXT CHANGE AT THE KING'S

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## J. Marques Accused Of Deliberate Obstruction In Cross-Harbour Race

### EXONERATED BY COMMITTEE

A SPECIAL COMMITTEE met yesterday at the V.R.C. to consider an unprecedented protest from South China Athletic Association alleging that J. Marques deliberately obstructed Miss Li Po-luen in the cross-harbour race on Friday last, and when near the finishing wall did so in such manner as to prevent Miss Li from winning the race.

The protest was dismissed and Marques completely exonerated.

The Committee comprised Messrs. A. O. Barretto (Chairman), L. Roza Pereira, N. A. E. Mackay, W. Lawrence, L. A. de V. Soares, H. Winglee and L. M. Remedios.

Mr. Barretto read a letter from the Secretary of the S.C.A.A. which alleged that Marques made several attempts to block Miss Li, and caused her to swim off her course. The South China Committee had given the matter careful thought and had arrived at the conclusion that the attempts had been deliberate and requested that an inquiry be held.

Yesterday Miss Li stated that a few minutes after the start of the race she felt someone pull her leg, and turning round saw Marques. Further on her way she was blocked by a swimmer from which people were directing instructions to Marques and Miss Guterres (the winner of the women's race).

Nearing the V.R.C. Miss Li said she saw Marques and Miss Guterres making a straight course, but they suddenly changed, and Marques crossed right in front. Miss Guterres was on the right. In order to avoid Marques, Miss Li changed course several times, but Marques crossed in efforts to hinder her.

Mr. Roza Pereira said that the charge was a most serious one, and if upheld would leave a blot against Marques' name. It was not in the nature of a protest against an infringement of rules, but actually accused Marques of unfair tactics.

Mr. Roza Pereira went on to suggest to the South China representatives that if Marques was found innocent that they should make a public apology in the Press.

Mr. Li Chi-hoy (South China) said that the protest had been made following Miss Li's complaints after the race. The obstruction had occurred just in front of the V.R.C., and added that it was his belief that Marques had deliberately obstructed Miss Li in order that Miss Guterres might win.

WOULD HAVE WON  
Several witnesses were called, and

one, Mr. Wong Kam-lok was of the opinion even if Miss Li had not been blocked, as alleged, Miss Guterres had sufficient lead to have won the race.

Marques denied all allegations. He said that opposite the V.R.C. he had noticed that it was going to be a good race between Miss Guterres and Miss Li and had stopped swimming, and had he not he might have gone out of his course and blocked Miss Li.

Verdict of the Chinese representatives, Mr. Roza Pereira asked if they thought that anyone would be so mad as to block another swimmer right in front of the Clubhouse and in view of the hundreds of spectators, when he might have done so in the middle of the harbour where probably it would not have been seen.

Mr. Cheung Yuk-ting, another witness, said that he saw the three swimmers together and that the man appeared to be zig-zagging. He heard shouts from the Clubhouse of "Keep On" and he thought that Marques was blocking.

Mr. Barretto answered a question that Marques had sworn with Miss Guterres as a promise to her mother, otherwise she would not have been allowed to take part in the race.

Verdict of the conclusion was that there had been no intentional fouling and that Marques had had the right of way as he was in front of Miss Li.

## Kowloon C.C. Cricket Teams

The following will represent Kowloon C.C. at cricket on Saturday: Against Royal Scots (home)—S. A. Gray (Capt.), E. Curtis, G. A. V. Hall, R. T. Fenlon, H. Brokenshire, R. M. Butler, R. T. Broadbridge, W. Parsons, G. A. Goodban, B. D. Lay, E. J. Lay, Umpire, H. Overy, Score, T. A. Carr.

Against Police (away)—D. Hung, W. L. Rapley, A. Zimmerman, J. R. Lake, W. Mills, H. Crabbe, J. W. Bartram, G. W. Giffen, T. O. Morgan, L. B. Burch, H. Leigh.

SUNDAY GAME  
Sunday, against Army (home) at 11 a.m.—E. C. Fincher (Capt.), N. D. Lloyd, D. J. N. Anderson, N. A. E. Mackay, D. Zimmerman, R. T. Broadbridge, R. Baldwin, S. A. Gray, Umpire, J. P. Robinson; Score, T. W. Carr.



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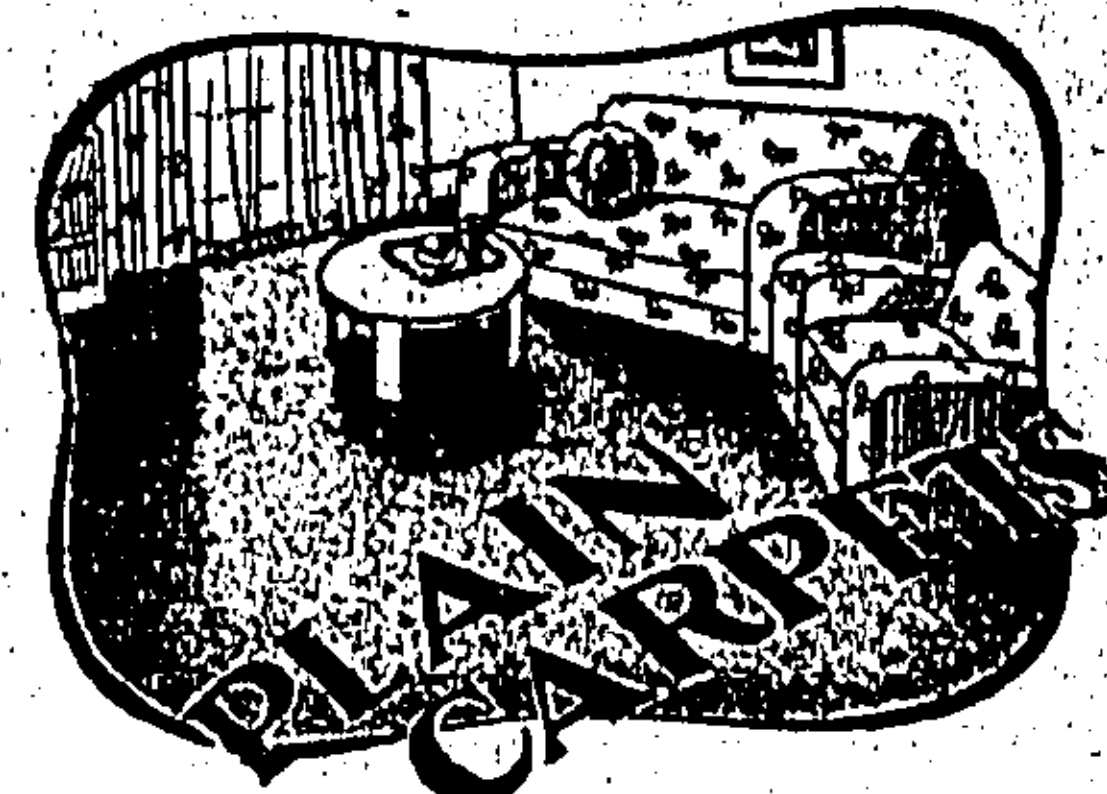
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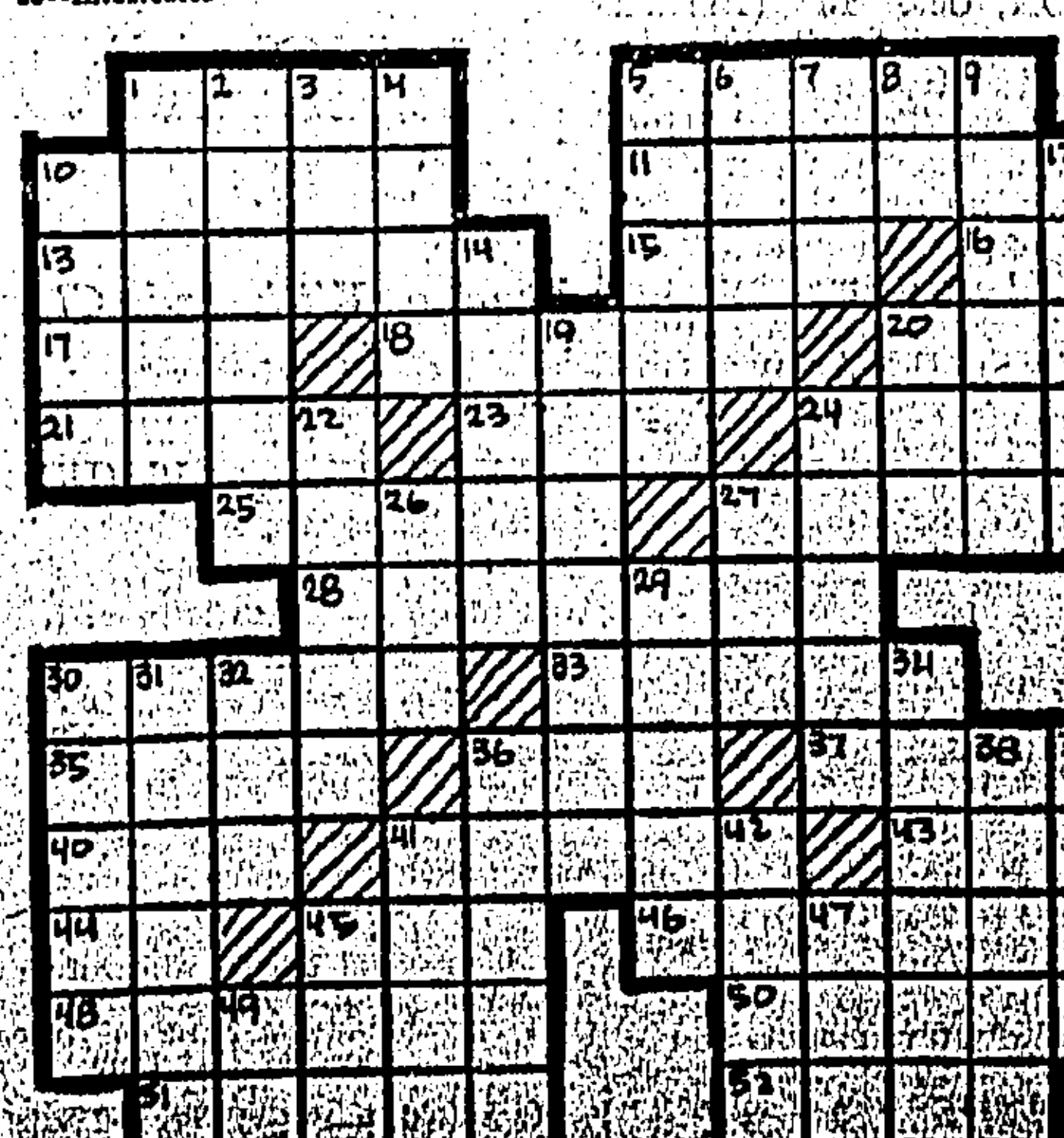
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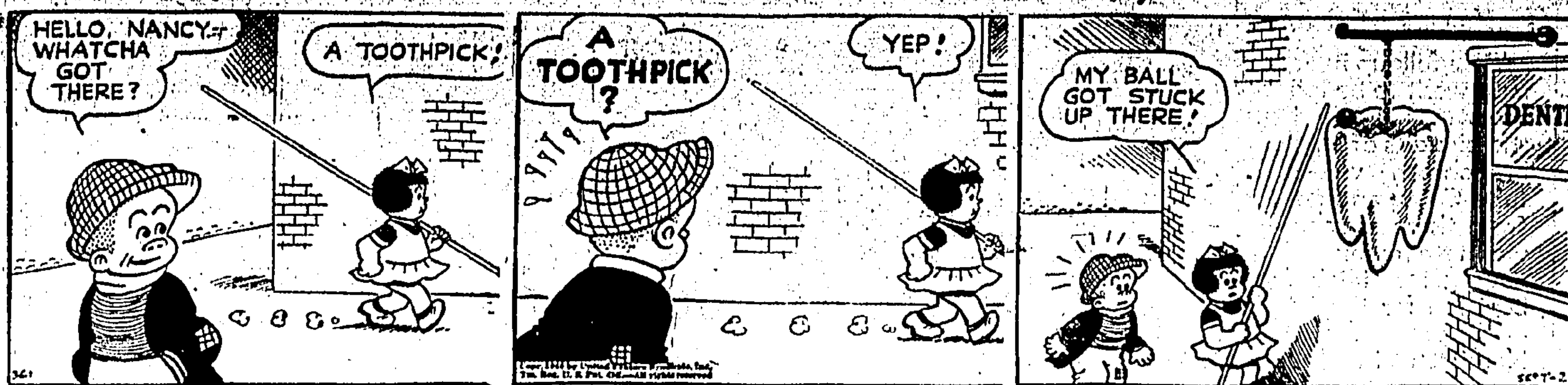
By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS  
1—Part of face  
2—Animals  
3—Prime minister  
4—Dance into view  
5—Fields of action  
6—Vase  
7—Unaffected by adversity  
8—Ear further  
9—Females  
10—Vase  
11—Plane  
12—Noise  
13—Erasme  
14—Adolescent (female)  
15—Elizabeth's day  
16—Humane cold  
17—Molesters  
18—Take wine  
19—Certain  
20—Anthropoid animal  
21—Purchaser  
22—Fish eggs  
23—Concentrating  
24—Combining form: air  
25—Roundabout way  
26—Pertaining to animals  
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## CONVOY OF FIVE NAZI VESSELS WIPED OUT

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LONDON, OCT. 16, (UP).—A CONVOY OF THREE GERMAN SUPPLY SHIPS AND TWO ESCORT SHIPS, AND ANOTHER GERMAN VESSEL OF ABOUT 7,000 TONS WERE SUCCESSFULLY ATTACKED AND HIT BY THREE TORPEDOES FROM A BRITISH WARSHIP ACCORDING TO AN ADMIRALTY COMMUNIQUE, WHICH DID NOT DISCLOSE THE LOCATION NOR THE DATE OF THE ATTACKS.

The Admiralty also announced that the British cruiser Liverpool was damaged by an enemy torpedo carrying aircraft while returning to her base from operations off Sicily. The vessel is now in port and casualties are reported light.

### SIX SHIPS SUNK

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—A German convoy of three supply ships with two escort vessels accompanying them has been destroyed.

The Admiralty communique giving this news does not locate the scene of action.

One merchant vessel, it is officially stated, was of about 7,000 tons. One of the others, which were small, exploded before sinking.

Another German vessel of about 7,000 tons, adds the communique, was successfully attacked. It was hit with three torpedoes.

### Liverpool Damaged

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—The British cruiser Liverpool has been damaged in the Mediterranean by enemy torpedo-carrying aircraft. The Admiralty states that the Liverpool was returning to her base after operations in the Mediterranean when the attack was made, and she is now safely in port.

Casualties were not heavy. Announcements of the damage was withheld until it was known that the Liverpool had reached her base. This disposes of another angle of the exaggerated Italian claims of this action. The Italians claimed to have sunk a cruiser.

### ACKNOWLEDGMENTS DONATIONS FROM GALA TO WAR FUND

A total of \$1,207,045.91 was reached yesterday by the War Fund inaugurated by the "Telegraph" Post, Ltd., the latest donations being:

Inter-Hong Swimming Club, \$2,280; Kowloon Cricket Club (in memory of the late Mr. W. L. McKenzie), \$10; Miss M. L. Everett (2nd donation), \$10; Mr. W. W. Mills, \$5; Mr. G. W. Dehman, \$2.

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## Switzerland Granted Navicerts

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—The British Government have agreed to grant navicerts and export licences to enable Switzerland to maintain a two-months' stock of war materials. The British Government will also grant navicerts and export licences for any goods which cannot benefit the enemy. The right is reserved to revise the decisions at any time.

## Fewer Refugees In Hongkong

Figures of refugees and destitutes in Government camps here for October 12 supplied by the medical authorities are printed below, with figures for October 5 in brackets: King's Park 1,297 (1,301); Matauchung 1,500 (1,487); North Point 1,375 (1,368); Morrison Hill 544 (542); Tai Hang Squatters' Camp 2,462 (2,462); Ngau Tau Kok Squatters' Camp 799 (787); Kam Tim 2,202 (2,279).

For soldiers—Argyle Street 710 (708); in hospital 15 (17). The grand total on October 12 was 10,932, as compared with 10,881 on October 8, showing a decrease of 49.

## Spaniards Must Eat Luxury Grapes Daily

MADRID, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—Hotels and restaurants in Spain are to serve grapes as dessert for at least one meal daily. A decree to this effect is issued by Senor Serrano Suner, Minister of the Interior. It is hoped to dispose of some of the production of Almeria grapes, the foreign trade of which is at present paralysed. They were formerly one of Spain's most valuable exports.

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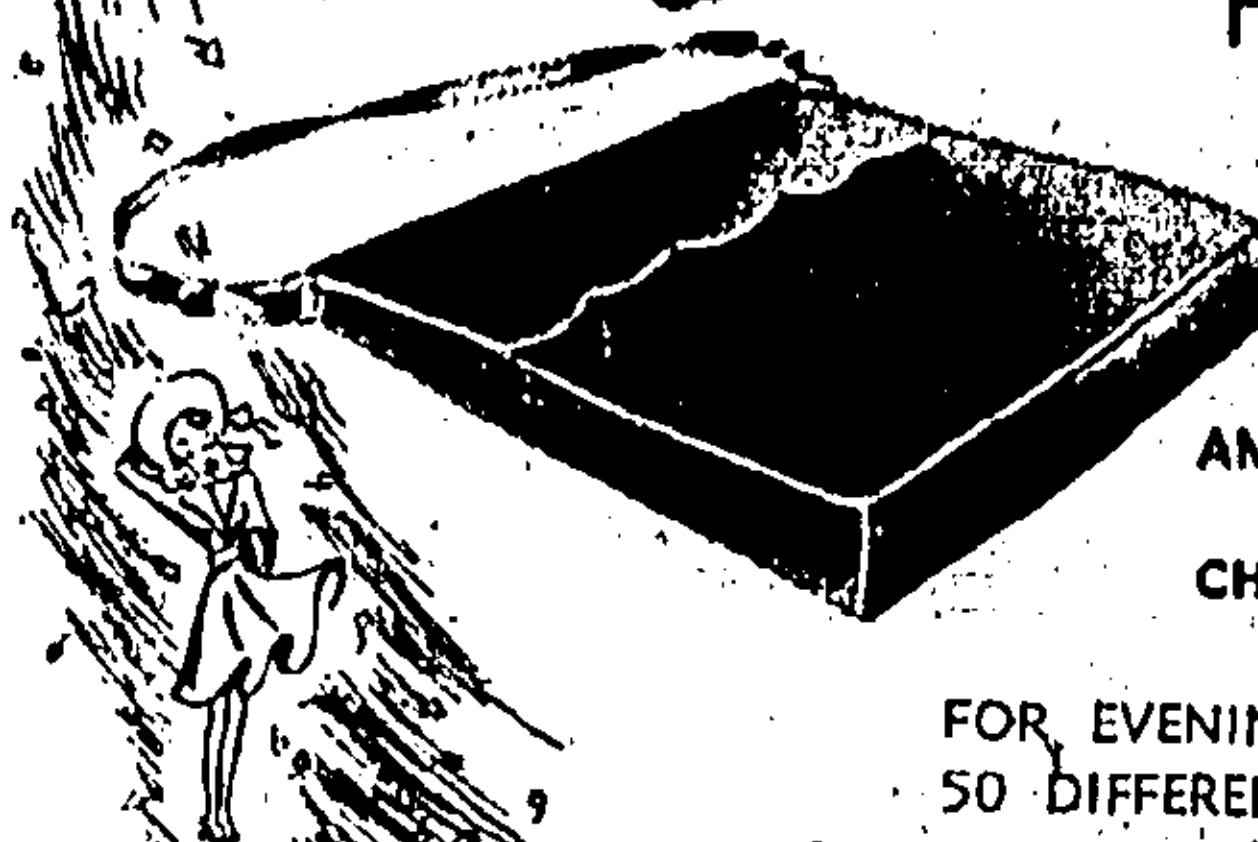


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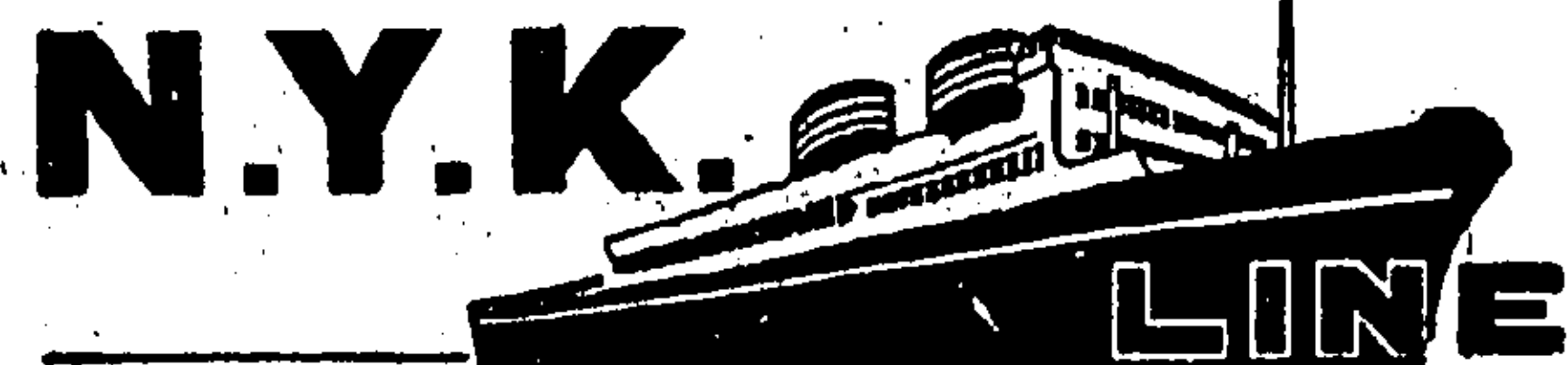
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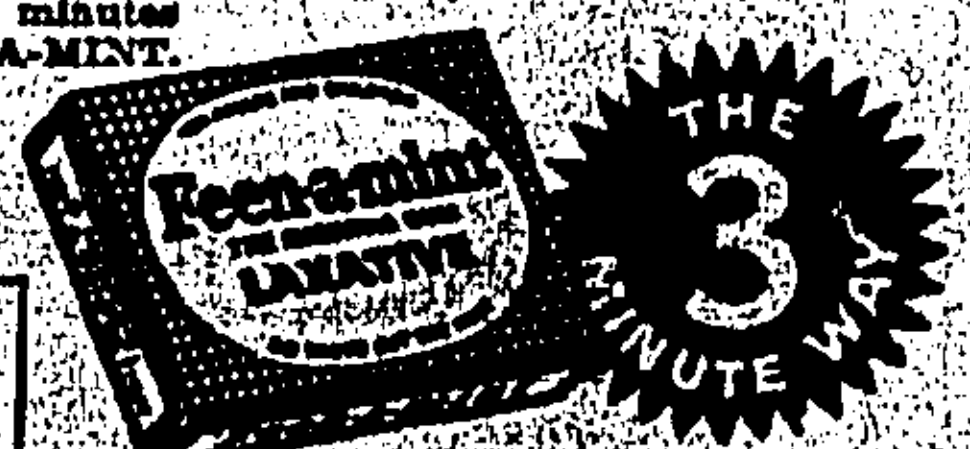
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## "Arms Dug Up From Graf Spee Graves"

An amazing story of fake funerals of Graf Spee sailors is told in a letter written by an Englishwoman living in Buenos Aires.

The writer of the letter alleges that authorities in Uruguay were gradually seeing sailors of the Graf Spee, who had been "buried" with full naval honours.

The suspicions of the authorities were aroused and an order was given for the exhumation of more than 30 bodies.

When opened the coffins were found to be filled with ammunition and rifles which had been taken from the Graf Spee before she was scuttled.

It is thought that the ammunition and rifles were to be used to help in the carrying out of acts of violence against Uruguay when Nazi plans were ready.

## LATE NEWS

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## REDUCTION OF CAPITAL

An application for confirmation of reduction of capital from \$3,500,000 to \$3,250,000 was brought by the Shim Tet Thong Co., Ltd. before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Supreme Court this morning.

Appearing for the applicants, Mr. H. C. Macnamara, instructed by Mr. E. Davidson, said the reason for the reduction was that at the present time the Company had more capital in cash than it desired to invest locally.

The application was granted.

## Interport Swimming Cancelled

Information received from Manila to-day states that a further message from Washington has been received in the Philippines and the American Commissioner has been unable to grant permission for the Philippines' swimming team to travel to Hong-kong.

## Planes Radiate Over Continent

### R.A.F. Bombers Blast Nazis' Vital Points

#### —Blenheims Score

LONDON, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—The effort of eight German fighters to harass British Blenheim bombers of the Coastal Command while they were raiding Flushing and Terneuzen on Tuesday night was unsuccessful.

The Air Ministry news service says that the Messerschmitts were driven off with machine-gun fire or evaded, and bombing was carried out with the utmost effect.

Lock-gates and fuel stores were among the principal targets. The flare-path of an aerodrome above which enemy aircraft were observed circling was bombed before the lights could be extinguished.

Two power stations at the Lorient naval base were the main points of attack by other formations of Blenheims.

Fleet Air Arm aircraft operating with the Coastal Command dropped large calibre bombs on the harbour works and shipping at Brest.

Hudson aircraft were active on the Dutch coast and bombed the inner harbour of Willemsoord and enemy destroyers of Texel.

The raid on Kiel lasted four hours.

Tons of bombs were dropped in almost continuous attacks. Direct hits were scored on the jetty of the torpedo boat harbour and on the Marine Academy.

The Deutsche Werft yards and dockyards south-east of the main jetty were repeatedly straddled and a line of heavy bombs burst along the western border of the German shipsyard.

One salvo started a huge oil fire, having apparently struck fuel stores and trucks.

Bombing of oil refineries and store plants at Hamburg, Sarzbergen and Gelsenkirchen, the R.A.F. also bombed Hamburg and Dusseldorf.

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## Decree Nisi Granted

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The petition, which was not defended, was first brought on August 12 when it was adjourned to have the evidence of the petitioner, who was then stated to be in Singapore, taken on commission.

Mr. H. C. Macnamara, instructed by Mr. D. B. Evans, appeared for the petitioner.

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